# September & October 2018 | St. Cloud Area

# JUST FOR LEX DANCE NEWS

#### **Dear Dancers and Parents,**

Welcome back veterans and a special welcome to all new dancers and parents. At Just For Kix we pride ourselves on treating your kids as we would like ours to be treated, with respect! I also pride myself on being approachable, so please bring any concerns to my immediate attention. We want your experience to be a GREAT one!

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#### **NEED TO KNOW**

#### **Dance Attire**

Please follow the dress code sheet that was emailed out and also available on our website under News & Events. Proper dance attire allows our staff to correct alignment and see your dancer's lines, which is an integral part of dance technique. Hair must be in a bun and pulled back off the face so that dancers are developing proper habits. Thank you for having your dancer prepared!

#### Early is On Time - On Time is Late

Just For Kix classes start on time! Put forth your best effort to come prepared and ready to dance! Every dancer is needed from COUNT ONE to make it an effective and organized practice or performance.

#### **Attendance**

Make practices and performances a priority - your class and team depend on you! If you are absent, meet with a friend to learn the material BEFORE the next class. If you know that you will be absent on the day of a performance, please inform the instructor in advance so they can rework formations at class if needed. Dancers who are not at class the week before a performance, will not be able to participate in the performance.

#### **Parking**

Please use our parking lot to park and wait for dancers. At busy times, parking on the road is permitted. The front of the building is for dropping and picking up only (no parking and waiting). Thank you!

#### Messes, Theft & Vandalism

We hope you and your family find our studio a warm environment to hang out. Thank you for treating it as you would a treasured possession; we want it to stay beautiful for years to come. Please treat the practice and performance spaces as they were your own! We are judged by the actions of a few; therefore; Just For Kix has no tolerance for disrespecting others' belongings or property. We recommend leaving valuables at home.

#### **Supervision**

Dancers are only supervised during their regular class time. Although we may have several classes going on before and after your dancers class time, it will be your responsibility to watch your children. Siblings in the lobby also need to be supervised. Please no running, slamming dressing room doors or interfering with other parents trying to view their child's class.

#### We Offer a No Distraction Environment

Over the years, we have found the most productive way to run classes is without distraction of parents, siblings or friends in the studio. We only have a short time each week, so every minute is important. Occasionally we will allow spectators in the last five minutes of class so you can see the progress we are making. We also have a parent viewing area outside each studio if you wish to stay for the full class.

## WE MAKE IT EASY TO STAY INFORMED

#### Website

 $\frac{\text{https://www.justforkix.com/danceclasses/st-cloud-areamn/}}{\text{mn/}}$ 

This is the most important tool we utilize. Please save this to your internet browser. Our website will be utilized to pay your monthly bill, order your costumes, and will serve as a tool to view all of our important handouts and information needed for the season. All newsletters and other important information that is emailed out can always be found on our program website. When you are logged into your account, click on the MY PROGRAM WEBSITE icon in the left hand corner of the page. This will bring you to the latest news you need to know!

#### **Newsletters**

We are paperless! All newsletters and other important information will be distributed via email and can be accessed **electronically** by using our website. To access our newsletters, login to your account, click on MY PROGRAM WEBSITE, then click on the NEWS & EVENTS. Important documents will be listed in chronological order. There is also a search bar you can utilize to look up things more quickly!

#### **Email**

We will send out regular e-mails throughout the season with reminders and general information. Please make sure we have your most current e-mail address on file. We can add up to 2 email addresses per dancer. Email Brittney or let the office staff know if you'd like to add an additional email address to your account. If you have a spam blocker, e-mails from Just For Kix may be bounced back.

It's important that you read through entire emails sent out to ensure you are well informed with the various program updates.

#### Communication

Email or direct phone calls are the preferred method of communication. Text messages, Facebook messages, pulling us out of class or other forms of communication are not recommended and is not guaranteed to get a prompt response back.

## Online Access to Your Dancer's Account Is Easier than Ever!

You can access your account at: www.justforkix.com/danceclasses

There you will have access to all of your dancer's pertinent information for classes, payments and costumes.

You can also take advantage of our easy AUTO PAY option for your class fees to be automatically paid from the card on file on the 1st of each moth. No more hassle or late fees!



#### **Payment Policy:**

We are continuing with the payment policy that was adapted two years ago for our studio. If your child receives a payment slip, the next week they will have to sit if it's not paid.

Please make every effort to stay current on your accounts. Thank you!

#### **POTENTIAL ADDED COSTS**

Here is a glance at additional costs that may be incurred throughout the season:

- · Performance admission
- JFK Together We Dance competition fees & admission
- · Show Admission
- · Prop Fees
- · Pictures
- · Special Session Fees
- Show tshirts
- · St. Cloud JFK Custom Apparel

#### **CURRICULUM**

Our goal throughout our dance program is two-fold:

1. To teach dancers proper technique and to develop the strength and flexibility to perform these skills.

2. To introduce choreography and to work on movement and performing. Younger classes will be more choreography-based and will learn 3-4 routines per season. Older dancers will have more emphasis on flexibility, strength, skill work and performance. They will generally learn 1-2 routines per season.

#### **TUITION**

Our tuition is based on a yearly rate for 36 classes

All payments must be paid online before the  $1^{st}$  of each month. We are not allowed to accept cash or checks at the studio for class payments.

You may mail a check into the home office or call the home office by phone to make a payment. These payments but be received by the home office before the 1st of the month.

A \$10.00 late fee is assessed to late payments.

If a monthly payment is more than 1 week late, dancers may be asked to sit out from class until their account is up to date.

Any NSF or stopped payment checks made payable to Just For Kix will be charged \$20.00 service fee per check.

Student accounts are ALWAYS required to be current prior to any performance or competition. Any student with a balance due will not be eligible to perform with their team.



# Halloween Show – October 26th

All Preschool – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade dancers listed below will be performing at our Annual Halloween Show at our Just For Kix dance studio in Sartell. This year we will be holding three shows to accommodate all spectators. Please note that space is limited so we recommend waiting to invite extended family until the winter show. This is a great performance opportunity early in the season to get dancers adjusted to performing in front of a crowd. There will be a small admission fee of \$2/person (5 & under free) for this event to help cover the cost of the show (1 admission for all 3 shows).

Specific costume information will be emailed out and posted online as the event gets closer.

#### Show #1

Arrive at 4:30pm Show is at 5:00pm

- •Thurs. Tiny Kix III (Arista)
- •Thurs. Pre Petite III (Brittney)
- •Thurs. Firecracker Kick (Arista)
- Mississippi Heights Wee Petites (Arista)
- •Tap I

# Show #2

Arrive at 5:45pm Show is at 6:15pm

- •Wed. Tiny Kix II (5:45) (Julia)
- Tiny Tap/Ballet (Brittney)
- •Wed. Wee Petite (Julia)
- Pleasantview Wee Petite (Brittney)
- Wednesday Wee Kix II (Maddie)

#### Show #3

Arrive at 7:00pm Show is at 7:30pm

- •Tues. Tiny I (Brittney)
- •Mon. Pre Petite I (Julia)
- •Tuesday Firecracker Kick (Arista)
- •Mon. Wee Kix (Brittney)
- •Wed. Tiny Kix IV (6:15) (Juiia)



#### **TWD Competitions**

The following grade break down will determine which classes will be competing this season.

K-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Hip Hop

K-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Lyrical

2<sup>nd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Jazz

4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Kick (plus Mon. Wee Kix, Mississippi Heights & Pleasantview Mini Kix)

These classes will compete at Together We Dance (TWD)
Competitions throughout the season. A list of competitions each class is going to is included with this newsletter.

Dancers who are not at class the week before a performance for any reason will not be able to compete/perform at the event.

Please note: classes competing at each event are subject to change based on available teams to compete against.



#### Senior Showcase

Once again we will be taking our Senior Kix & Dream Team Hip Hop team to the Rochester Nationals in April to compete in the Senior Showcases. St. Cloud has consistently been a top contender and we look forward to bringing these teams again to represent our program!

#### November

- 7° K-6° All Boys & Adult Women Sessions begin
- **9**<sup>a</sup> Wishing Starz Adaptive Dance Class Begins
- 10- Apollo Dance Show (Placement Classes only) & Light Routine Session begins
- 12a Dadsters session begins
- 17<sup>a</sup> Sartell Dance Show (Placement Classes Only)
- **22--24** No Classes Happy Thanksgiving!
- $\bf 25^{\tt a}$  Jazz Production Rehearsal @ Studio for  $\underline{ALL}$  jazz classes (5-7pm)
- 26-29 Wear your costume for the show to class!
- 30 Father/Daughter Session begins

#### **December**

- 8 Winter Show Rehearsal at Sauk Rapids High School
- 9 Winter Show Day!
- 14<sup>a</sup>- Holiday Party for all dancers at the studio
- 17<sup>a</sup> Preschool Snowman Day Camp (10-12:30pm)
- 21 Jan 1 Winter Break! No class!

#### January

- 2nd Classes Resume at the studio
- 10° Pre-1° Gymanstics for Dancers session begins
- 12<sup>a</sup> Cathedral Dance Show for placement classes
- 16 Intro to Acro session 1 begins
- **26**° Teeny Kix session begins & Sauk Rapids Dance Show
- 27 Sauk Rapids TWD Competition

#### **February**

- 15-16- State Dance Team Tournament
- 23<sup>rd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> Eastview TWD Competition
- 27. Tryouts for Dream Team Jazz
- 28<sup>th</sup> Killer Kick Session begins



\*Please note that the events listed above may not apply to all classes.

# COSTUMES

Costumes must be ordered by September 30<sup>th</sup> in order to guarantee they will arrive in time for the winter show.

Costumes need to be paid in full when the order is placed. Some costumes may take 8-10 weeks from the order date to arrive. Late orders will not be guaranteed delivery prior to the Winter Show. Once your order is placed, costumes will be shipped to the Director and dancers will receive them in class.

#### If you have received your costume:

Try it on right away. If the sizing is not correct please return it to the studio office as soon as possible with a completed RMA form. We can process an exchange as long as the costume has not been worn or damaged. Tights/Under Garments can only be exchanged if they are unopened.



#### FREAKY FRIDAY HALLOWEEN PARTY

Learn a spooky dance combo with your JFK instructors followed by a showing of a Halloween movie and glow stick dance party & games!

When: Friday, October 26th from 8:30-11:00pm

Where: JFK Studio Who: 2<sup>nd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders

\*Come in your SPOOKIEST attire that you can dance in!

PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST

Dancers are welcome to decorate a pumpkin on their own and

station. The winner will receive a \$25 gift card to the JFK store!

bring it to the studio between October 22<sup>nd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>. During the

Halloween Show & Freaky Friday party we will have a voting

# CANCELLATIONS INSTRUCTORS

In the event that Just For Kix must cancel class we will make the announcement in several locations:

- St. Cloud Just For Kix Website https://www.justforkix.com/danceclasses/st-cloud-area-mn/
- Mass e-mail to the affected classes
- Facebook Post
- Remind 101 Text Alert\* (for those who have signed up for the text announcements)

If school is cancelled or let out early (for weather emergencies) we will not have class. Any classes that are cancelled will be rescheduled for a later date. Since our studio is located in Sartell, we follow what the Sartell School District does regarding cancellations.

\*Remind 101: Text the number 81010 with the message @stcloudj to stay informed!

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Carlos Stroia

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Sun 2	Mon 3	Tue 4	Wed 5	Thu 6	Fri 7	Sat 8
9	Dance season begins!	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 Pre-1 <sup>st</sup> Gymnastics session begins	21 Strength/ Stretching/ Technique class	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 Costume orders are due						

# October 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Class Payments are due	2	3	4	5 Strength/ Stretching/	6
		Bring a fri	end to class this wee	k!	Technique class	
7	8	9	10	11	12 Strength/ Stretching/ Technique class	13
14	15	16	17	18 MEA Break-no class!	19	20
21	22	23	24 Wear your Halloween costume to class!	25 Wear your Halloween costume to class!	26	27 Teeny Kix & Dance With Me sessions begin
28	29 Wear your Halloween costume to class!	30 Wear your Halloween costume to class!	31 Happy Halloween! No studio classes			