Sep/Oct 2020 Waterman, IL

## JUST FOR KIX

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!



## **NEED TO KNOW**

#### **CLASS ATTIRE**

Clothing should allow for movement; We ask that dancers do not wear jeans, jewelry, or chew gum in class. You can purchase Just For Kix practice and active wear at justforkix.com, if you wish! Hair should be pulled back in a pony tail or bun. Dance shoes/tennis shoes should be worn.

#### **EARLY IS ON TIME - ON TIME IS LATE**

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

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Make practices and performances a priority - your class and team depends on you! If you are absent, meet with a friend to learn the material before the next class.

#### **MESSES, THEFT, VANDALISM**

Renting a facility is a privilege. Please treat the practice and performance space as if it were your own! We are all 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 supervised during their regular class time. Although we may have several classes the same day, during the time prior to and after the class you will need to watch your children. We want them safe.

#### **A Safer Dance Environment**

The health and safety of our students, families, guests, and staff have always been our highest priority. A concern that has only been heightened by these new and challenging times. By using local, state, and national guidelines to inform best practices for service continuity, Just For Kix is ready to re-open our in-person services. Visit justforkix.com for more information.

#### **Power Pack**

Watch for emails from the Home Office packed with skills videos, tips, motivational quotes, sale items in the catalog and much more!

#### WE OFFER A NO DISTRACTION ENVIRONMENT

Over the years, we have found the most productive way to run classes is without the distraction of parents and siblings in the room. We only have a short time each week, so every minute is important. Occasionally I will allow spectators in the last five minutes of class so you can see the progress we are making.

#### STAY INFORMED

#### WEBSITE

justforkix.com/danceclasses/waterman-il -This website is a tool used to list unexpected changes such as cancellations due to weather, make up class dates, performance details and/or corrections to the newsletter. It is also is a great place to find class information, costume items, and music for our dance routines.

#### **GOING PAPERLESS**

In order to keep everyone as safe as possible and limit contact at the studio, we have decided to go paperless this season. Most of our important documents will be sent as downloadable PDF's via email. We will have occasional handouts when necessary. It is SO important that families check their emails very frequently and write down important dates when needed.

#### **BIMONTHLY NEWSLETTER**

Each dancer will receive a email PDF version of our Newsletter. These newsletters will have important dates and information for upcoming events.

#### E-MAIL

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. If you have a spam blocker, e-mails from Just For Kix may be bounced back.

#### TEXT MESSAGE-REMIND APP

Get current information fast with the Remind App. Announcements for bad weather, changes in plans, etc. It's easy to use.

Just Text @jfkwtrmn to 81010 to begin receiving texts from Director, Taylor Kaurin.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

**Director:** Taylor Kaurin **Phone:** (630) 995-0335

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Website/Registration:

www.justforkix.com/danceclasses/waterman-il

Follow us on Facebook: Just For Kix -

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The third annual Just For Kix Together We Dance Nationals.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

April 23th - 25th, 2021 Mayo Civic Center Rochester, MN



#### **TUITION**

There are three easy ways to make your payments:

#### 1. Online Payment System

at justforkix.com/danceclasses. This is the fastest, easiest way to make payments and manage your dancer's account.

## **2. Call Payments into the Home Office** 218-829-7107

Mon. - Fri. 8:00am - 4:30pm (CST) We can take credit or debit card payments over the phone. If you can't reach us by phone, please email **support@justforkix.com** 

#### 3. Mail Payment to the Home Office.

Just For Kix PO Box 724 Brainerd, MN 56401

### Monthly payments are due by the 1st of each month

- There will be a \$10.00 fee assessed to late payments.
- Any NSF or stopped payment checks made payable to Just For Kix will be charged a \$20.00 service fee per check.
- Student accounts are always required to be current prior to any performance. Any student with a balance due will not be eligible to perform with their team.

#### POTENTIAL ADDITIONAL COSTS

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

- Performance admission
- Just For Kix TWD Competition fees and admission
- Show admission
- Prop fees
- Pictures
- Special Session fees
- Show shirts
- Custom program clothing

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

Now you have online access to all of your dancer's pertinent information for classes, payments and uniforms.

iustforkix.com/danceclasses



## THE JUST FOR KIX DANCE SEASON

Our dance session is broken down into two parts:

#### September - December

The primary focus of the first few months of class is preparing the dancers for their season. Dancers will work on new technique, skills, strengthening, stretching and choreography. We use this time to lay a strong foundation for the season. Performances at this time of year are minimal and typically do not use the class uniform.

#### **December - April**

The uniforms are in and the dancers are ready to start performing. This is the time of the season where dancers get a chance to perform their routines while continuing to build on their technique and skills. The majority of our performances for the season will fall during these months. It is fun to see how students grow as dancers and performers during this part of the season. Older classes may also compete at Just For Kix competitions.

## WHAT TO EXPECT FROM JUST FOR KIX

- There are, on average, 32 classes in the season. Some programs do go to 36 classes.
- Depending on the location, classes will run for either 8 or 9 months.
- Classes billing Sept-April will get 32 or more classes. Classes billing Sept-May will get 36 classes per season.

#### UNIFORM/COSTUMES

Uniform orders are due at registration. If you have not ordered your uniforms, please do so immediately.

#### If you still need to order your uniform:

Uniforms need to be paid in full before the order is placed. Some uniforms may take 8-12 weeks from the order date to arrive, so order early to ensure timely delivery prior to your program's first performance. Many ordered in the Spring for that reason.

#### If you have received your uniform:

Try it on right away. If the sizing is not correct, please follow the exchange instructions on the back of the invoice that came with your uniform. We can make an exchange as long as the uniform has not been worn or damaged. Tights can only be exchanged if they are unopened.

#### Return/exchange policy

If you are unhappy with your uniform or need a different size simply follow the steps and complete the forms on your return form that came with your item(s) and send it back within 10 days. Only uniforms that have not been worn and are not damaged, stained or used will be exchanged or refunded. Tights, undergarments and hair pieces may not be exchanged after they have been removed from the packaging. Please allow 2-3 weeks for exchanges of in stock items, and 4-6 weeks for back ordered pieces. For faster processing, order new pieces online first in your student account and send in pieces for refund after.

#### **CURRICULUM**

Our goal throughout our dance program is two-fold:

- 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 dances per season. Older dancers will have more emphasis on flexibility, strength, skill work and performance. They will generally learn 1-2 routines per season.

## TuTu Tots

#### **ACADEMY**

We created a revolutionary curriculum that will give your preschoolers the ultimate fun time while learning the basics in dance.

Using colorful and fun learning tools, the class will let your dancers discover

the joy and passion for dance. Our curriculum is designed specifically for preschoolers based on their learning abilities. You will see growth in the areas of communication/expression, cooperation, self-control and self-esteem.



#### DANCE YEAR AT A GLANCE

#### August/September

8/31-9/3: First week of classes!:) 9/7: LABOR DAY, NO CLASS 9/14: Wear Just For Kix apparel to school! 9/20: Uniform order deadline!

(tentative)

#### October

TBD: Small performance(s) for PreK-1st? 10/26-10/29: Wear Halloween costume to class!

#### November

11/23: Monday LABOR DAY make-up classes @ regular times

11/24-11/26: THANKSGIVING BREAK, NO CLASS

\*May not have a week where dancers wear their dance costume to class. This is so that we can send back if we have no performances. Stay tuned.

#### December

TBD: Winter Show (tentative) 12/14-12/17: Wear pajamas to class!

12/21-12/31: WINTER BREAK, NO

**CLASS** 

#### **February**

2/8-2/11: Wear pink, red, purple and/or white to class!

2/28: STREATOR TWD (tentative)

#### March

TBD: DECORAH TWD (tentative) 3/22-3/25: SPRING BREAK, NO **CLASS** 

#### **April**

TBD: Picture Day 4/23-4/25: ROCHESTER NATIONALS TWD (tentative)

TBD: Spring Show (tentative) 5/3-5/6: Last week of classes! \*An additional make-up class will be added to make-up for the week before Spring Break of last season. Stay tuned.

#### WHAT CLASS AM I IN?

Just For Kix offers an array of dance classes, and it can be difficult to remember the name of your child's class. Here, I've listed the grade by the class name for your convenience.

Tiny Kix Wednesday: Pre-K Tiny Kix Monday Sessions: Pre-K

Wee Kix: 2-3rd Wee Hip Hop: 2-3rd Mini Kix: 4-5th Mini Jazz: 4-5th Mini Hip Hop: 4-5th Mini/Middle Lyrical: 4-7th Middle Kix: 6-7th Middle Hip Hop: 6-7th Middle/Junior Pom: 6-12th Junior Jazz: 6-12th Junior Kix: 8-12th

Wee Petites: K-1st

Junior Lyrical: 8-12th Choreography Package: 6-12th Private Lessons: 4-12th

Junior Hip Hop: 8-12th

#### CANCELLATION

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

- Our Facebook page
- Announcement text
- Mass e-mail (to those who supplied their e-mail address to us)

If school is cancelled or let out early for weather emergencies, we will not have class or we will do it virtually. Any classes that are cancelled will be rescheduled for a later date, unless pre-planned make-up classes have already been scheduled or if they are done virtually.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### October

TBD: Small performance(s) for PreK-1st?

#### December

TBD: Winter Show (tentative)

#### **February**

2/28: Streator TWD (tentative) \*2-12th grade

TBD: Decorah TWD (tentative) \*6-12th grade?

#### April

TBD: Picture Day

4/23-4/25: Rochester Nationals TWD (tentative)

\*2-12th grade

#### May

TBD: Spring Show (tentative)







For over 39 years, Just For Kix has been giving youth a performance platform that puts the prime teaching motivation on not only proven dance technique, but teamwork and confidence. Heads have turned and audiences have cheered through 14 states and over 200 locations. Our student enrollment continues to grow, our curriculum continues to develop and our vision of "doing your best is more important than being the best" leaves a lasting impression on our students far after they've left the Just For Kix team.



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9/7: NO CLASS, Labor Day || 9/14: Wear Just For Kix apparel to school! || 9/20: Uniform order deadline! (tentative)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	First Day of Monday Classes!:)	1	First Day of Wednesday Classes!:)	First Day of Thursday Classes!:)	4	5
6	NO CLASS - Labor Day	8	9 Wednesday Classes	10 Charsesay	11	12
13	14 Monday Classes	15	Wednesday Classes	17 Thursday Classes	18	19
Uniform order deadline!	21 Monday Classes	22	Wednesday Classes	24 Thursday Classes	25	26
27	Monday Classes	29	Wednesday Classes	1 Thursday Classes	2	3
4	5 Monday Classes	6	<b>7</b> Wednesday Classes	8 Thursday Classes	9	10

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27	Monday Classes	29	Wednesday Classes	1 Thursday Classes; Class payment due!	2	3
4	5 Monday Classes	6	7 Wednesday Classes	8 Thursday Classes	9	10
11	Monday Classes	13	Wednesday Classes	15 Thursday Classes	16	17
18	Monday Classes	20	Wednesday Classes	Thursday Classes	23	24
25	Monday Classes	27	Wednesday Classes	Thursday Classes	30	31
1	Monday Classes	3	Wednesday Classes	5 Thursday Classes	6	7

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