

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Happy New Year Just For Kix Families!

We look forward to the New Year and second half of the dance season! We have a busy four months with Together We Dance Competitions for our older dancers, two more shows, smaller performances for our Tu Tu Tots dancers and much more. We are excited for all of the performances heading our way!

Thank you for choosing Just for Kix for your dancer, we feel blessed to have you in our lives.

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JUST FOR KIX DANCE BRIEF

January & February 2017 | Brainerd

OUTBACK BOWL RECAP

We had a record year at the Outback Bowl with 1242 participants on the tour! It was an amazing week. We ran 24 busses each day as the tour participants headed to Clearwater Beach, Busch Gardens, Disney or Universal Studios in Orlando, a Dinner Cruise on Tampa Bay and the performance at Raymond James Stadium. The participants were split up between four area hotels with our staff spread out at all of them.

The Brainerd group participated in several fundraisers to get to Florida and we appreciate all of their hard work to make this trip a reality! They came in knowing the routine and really made us proud. Thank you to the dancers and parents who helped make this year's trip one for the record books!

OUTBACK BOWL 2017-18

If you are interested in going on the Outback Bowl Tour next season we are going to start fundraising NOW. We will be selling flowers at the Brainerd TWD, the Spring Show, Mother's Day flowering plants, etc. All ages 2nd - 12th grade are welcome to join.

Meeting Time: Thurs, Jan 19th @6:45pm

Meeting is at the studio



COMMUNICATION

Facebook

Have you liked our Brainerd Just For Kix Facebook page? We post a lot of useful information and photos from our events.

Website

justforkix.com/danceclasses/brainerd-mn (or login to your account to access the website)
Remember to check our website, bookmark it to save time.

Email

We have sent out several e-mails already this season. If you have not received anything please send your e-mail address to amanda@justforkix.com so you can be updated in the database.

WINTER WEATHER IS HERE!

Just a reminder of our cancellation policy as we head into winter weather:

Should an unscheduled cancellation happen, you will be notified via a school announcement, Brainerd JFK website, email, radio station (WJLY), and/or text. We will schedule a make up class as soon as we can.

Please note - if school is cancelled or let out early due to weather, there will be NO Just For Kix class that evening. We follow the recommendations of the school's policies given to after school activities as a guideline for canceling classes.

REMINDE 101 TEXT

Stay informed on the latest Brainerd JFK reminders, cancellations and notices by following the simple instructions from your cell phone.

Please note: this box cannot receive texts; it is only used to send outgoing reminders to the subscribers.

Text @braine to 81010



CLASS TUITION

We are going to continue with the **SELF HELP SYSTEM**.

Any payments received after the 10th will be assessed a late fee of \$10.00

There are three easy ways to make your payments:

1. **On-line payment system at justforkix.com/danceclasses – This is the option we prefer.**
2. Drop your payment in the box on the wall at the studio
3. Mail your payment to: PO Box 724 * Brainerd, MN 56401

HELPFUL HINTS:

- If you are just dropping off a payment please use the payment box (no need to pay at the store).
- If you need assistance with your account please call the home office at 218-829-7107.

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

SOLO/GROUP COMPETITION

This year we will again be having a Solo/Small Group competition at Eastview TWD (Feb. 26th) and adding a second at our Alexandria TWD (April 2nd). More detailed information about the competition to come. Stay tuned.

If your 2nd – 12th grade dancer is interested in competing in this event, please talk with Ali for approval. She can be contacted at: ali@justforkix.com

Solo / Group choreography information sheets are available from Ali.

FOLLOW THE WARRIOR DANCE TEAM “THE KIXTERS”

Listed below are all of the events the High School Dance Team is going to. We love our fans and would like you to cheer us on as we travel to the following competitions:



Jan 13 th	CLC Competition	Away: Willmar High School
Jan 20 th	CLC Championship	Home: Brainerd High School
Jan 21 st	Wayzata Invitational	Away: Wayzata High School
Jan 28 th	Blaine Invitational	Away: Blaine High School
Jan 28 th	Kick Off Show	Home: Brainerd High School
Feb 4 th	Sections	Away: Forest Lake High School
Feb 17 th	State Jazz	Away: Target Center
Feb 18 th	State Kick	Away: Target Center

EVALUATION

We are at the halfway point of our season and would LOVE to hear from you. If you could take time out of your busy day to fill out this quick form, we would appreciate it.

We read each one of these and learn from what you are experiencing, good or bad. We pride ourselves on continuously striving to better our program and our instructors.

Link for form:

https://docs.google.com/a/justforkix.com/forms/d/1bjp_JO9sazkxD_S-3_0Qq_0qFZ9C1dlv0COoqYxhFYE/viewform

PICTURE WEEK – FEB 13th – 15th - Studio

All Classes will have pictures at the studio the week of the 13th at their regular class times. No dance classes this week.

NOTE: Thursday classes will follow the schedule below as we do not have classes on Thursday 2/16.

Thurs Middle Kix – Pictures Monday @ 4:15pm

All Shooting Stars – Pictures Tuesday @ 6:45pm

All Rising Stars – Pictures Tuesday @ 4:45pm

Showstoppers Jazz – Pictures Monday @ 7:00pm

All Starlites – Pictures Monday @ 5:30pm

Starmakers Jazz – Pictures Tuesday @ 6:30pm

Senior Kix, Dream Team Lyrical, Hip-Hop & Jazz and Tap Troup pictures at a later date



See the sheet inserted in this newsletter for when and where each team will compete. Remember, your dancer is a part of a team so if they cannot attend...we understand, but the teacher needs notice well in advance. Our dancers look forward to these events. We hope to have as much participation as possible.

Why is the fee not covered in your monthly class fee?

Your monthly class fees are set to cover the weekly class instruction only. In the past we have considered raising the registration fee to \$40-\$50 and then all the competition fees, etc would be included, but, since not everyone attends these events we have felt the most fair and economical option is to only charge the dancers and parents for those things they participate in.

Whether it is a prop, show admission or a TWD event, you are only charged a minimal expense for the things in which you are participating. Many dance studios charge \$10-\$15 to watch a show and competition entry fees can be \$25 or more per dancer/per routine. We strive hard to keep our rates reasonable and affordable in everything we do.



We are excited to announce that Just For Kix will be again holding the Senior Showcase! This was created to enhance the competitive experience for the Senior Kix dancer. Attending teams will definitely be Just For Kix's best of the best. Our Brainerd Senior Kix will be competing at this event as the **DEFENDING CHAMPIONS TWO YEARS IN A ROW**. We wish them luck!

Location: Rochester TWD

Dates: April 6th, 7th, 8th or 9th

Senior Showcase will MOST LIKELY be on the 7th. Detailed info to come once we get closer to the event.

DATES AT A GLANCE

Mar.

3/8- Teeny Kix Session #4 Begins
 3/11-12 - Apple Valley TWD
 3/13-17 - No Classes - Spring Break
 3/25-26 - Brainerd TWD

Apr.

4/2 - Alexandria TWD
 4/6-9 - Rochester TWD & Sr Showcase
 4/22 - Spring Shows
 4/24 - Last Week Of Classes

May

TBA - JFK Ballet w/Carlos make up dates
 TBA - May Skills Classes

June

TBA - Summer Ballet
 6/17 - Preschool Camp

July/Aug

7/20-22 - Brainerd Youth Camp
 7/30 - 8/2 - Intensive
 8/12 - Preschool Camp

KICK OFF SHOW – SATURDAY, JAN 28th – 6:30PM – BRAINERD HIGH SCHOOL

All JFK classes are NOT dancing due to the fact they are in between routines and not ready to perform. This show is to celebrate the Warrior Dance Team's season and send them off to Sections with our best wishes. To add to the show we have the JFK teams that are ready with full routines attend.

The show will be run with the first half of the show facing Side B and the second half of the show facing Side A. PLEASE NOTE: if you have more than one dancer, you may have to change sides at intermission. Plan accordingly. We had some complaints about having to move last year, please make sure you communicate to all those you invite that this is a two-sided show.

Admission: \$3.00 for Adults and \$1.00 for Students. No pre-sale tickets, you will pay at the door.

The WDT Seniors will be recognized in the second half of the show and the team will be selling team photos to their fans.

This is a more laid back show in terms of decorations and lighting. We will have the full gym lights on and no curtains or the video screen up.

Doors Open at 6:00pm (NO EARLIER) – Dancers to arrive at that time and meet in the gym

Starting with Side B – Spectators sit on Side B (west side)		Ending with Side A - Spectators sit on Side A (sound table side)	
Battle Hymn Of The Republic	WDT Varsity Jazz	Do You Want To Build A Snowman	Mon Tiny Kix, Wed Tiny Kix & Teeny Kix (Amanda /Kelly)
Shake A Tailfeather	Wed 4:45 Tiny Kix (Dani)	L-O-V-E	Wed 5:15 Pre-Tiny (Dani)
Can't Stop The Feeling	Mon Mini Kix (Amanda)	Robots Activate	WDT Varsity Kick
Tu Tu Tots	Wed Tiny Kix & Teeny Kix (Cindy)	Me Too	Tues Mini Kix (Jamie)
Every Breath You Take	WDT JV Jazz	Carwash	Wee Hip Hop (Ali)
Princess Crown	Wed 6:00 Firecrackers Jazz (Ali)	Skeletons	WDT JV Kick
Stand In The Light	Mini Lyrical (Brianna)	Princess Crown	Mon Firecracker Jazz (Annie)
Let It Snow	Wed 6:30 Firecrackers Kick (Amanda/Kelly)	Diggy	Mon Middle Kix (Amanda)
I Put A Spell On You	Thurs Middle Kix (Cierra)	Hot Chocolate	Mon Firecrackers Kick (Amanda)
Bare Necessities	Wed 6:00 Firecrackers Jazz (Dani)	Fly	Mon Wee Kix (Amanda)
Hot Chocolate	Wed 5:30 Firecrackers Kick (Amanda/Kelly)	WDT SENIOR RECGONITION	
Bruh	Mini Hip Hop (Annie)	Dreamgirls	Starlites Kick (Ali)
Skeletons	WDT JV Kick	Every Breath You Take	WDT JV Jazz
Robots Activate	WDT Varsity Kick	Battle Hymn Of The Republic	WDT Varsity Jazz

JAN

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2nd half of the year
payments due!

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2 Watch the Outback Performers on ESPN, Game starts at 1pm EST	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13 WDT- CLC - Wiltmar	14
15	16 No School but WE DO HAVE REGULAR CLASSES	17	18	19	20 WDT - CLC - Brainerd Come Cheer on the Kixters!	21 WDT - Wayzata Invitational
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 WDT @ Blaine & JFK Kick Off Show, 6:30pm @ BHS
29 TWD - Sauk Rapids	30	31				

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4 WDT - Sections at Forest Lake
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13 Pictures @ Studio (regular class times)	14	15	16 <u>NO JFK CLASSES</u>	17 WDT - State Jazz	18 WDT - State Kick
19	20 No School but WE DO HAVE REGULAR CLASSES	21	22	23	24	25 Eastview TWD
26 Eastview TWD	27	28				

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