

# JUST FOR KIX DANCE NEWS



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## 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!

## WE MAKE IT EASY TO STAY INFORMED

### WEBSITE

[justforkix.com/danceclasses/brainerd-mn](http://justforkix.com/danceclasses/brainerd-mn)  
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. Also, our Facebook page is a place we post information and photos.

### 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 in your account at [justforkix.com/danceclasses](http://justforkix.com/danceclasses)  
If you have a spam blocker, e-mails from Just For Kix may be bounced back, or you may find it in your Promotions, Spam or Junk Mail folders.

### TEXT MESSAGE:

Get current information fast with the Remind Text Messages. We strongly encourage you to be added to the list, please follow the instructions below from your cell phone.

A text from Coach Clough will reply asking for your name. Reply with your First and Last name, then you will be added.

## NEED TO KNOW

### Parking

Please use the North parking lot to park and wait for dancers. The front of the building is for instructor parking, handicap and dropping and picking up (no parking and waiting). Thank You!

### Dance Attire

Please follow the dress code that was included with this newsletter. If you did not receive one, the info can be found on our Brainerd Just For Kix Website under the News & Events or Resources tab.

### Messes, Theft & Vandalism

We hope that you and your family find our studio to be a warm environment to hang out. Thank you for treating it as you would a treasured possession. Please treat the space as if it was your own!

### 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.

We are judged by the actions of a few, therefore, Just For Kix has a no tolerance policy for disrespecting others belongings or property. We recommend leaving valuables at home.

### 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.

### Supervision

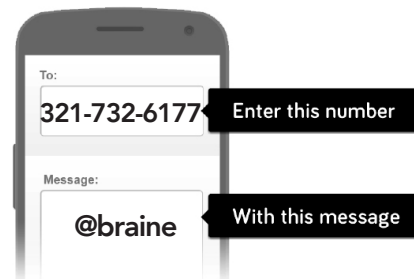
Dancers are supervised during their regular class time. Although we may have several classes the same day, during the time prior to and after the class you will need to watch your children. We want them safe. Siblings in the lobby also need to be supervised. Please no running, slamming dressing rooms doors or interfering with other parents trying to view their child's class.



The first ever, annual Just For Kix Together We Dance Nationals.

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

April 27th - 29th, 2018  
Mayo Civic Center  
Rochester, MN



## 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 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 outside each studio if you wish to stay for the full class.



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

You can access your account at: [www.justforkix.com/danceclasses](http://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 month. 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!



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## Facebook is one of our primary forms of communication!

\*For current news, photos and upcoming events, please like our studio page on Facebook!

## 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

## 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 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.

## COSTUMES

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

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

Costume items need to be paid in full before the order is placed. Some costumes may take 8-12 weeks from the order date to arrive, so all orders must be placed by September 29th. Late orders will not be guaranteed delivery prior to the Holiday Show.

### If you have received your costume / shoes:

Try items on right away. If the sizing is not correct, please return to the studio desk as soon as possible. We can process exchanges as long as the items have not been worn or damaged. Tights can only be exchanged if they are unopened.

**Some classes have costumes that are undecided. Your instructor will let you know as soon as something is selected.**

## TUITION

Our tuition is based on a yearly rate for 32 classes (unless it is a short session)

**You have three ways to pay for your tuition:**

### 1. Online Payment System at [justforkix.com/danceclasses](http://justforkix.com/danceclasses)

This is the fastest, easiest way to make payments and manage your account.

### 2. Drop your payment in the box on the wall at the studio.

The box is located on the wall by studio #4 (the ballet studio).

### 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.

## Contact Us

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## Instructors

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Alexandra Geraets

Jodi Davis

Kelly Mankowski

Carlos Stroia

Amanda Clough

Dani Larson-Schultz

Brianna Niemeyer

## CANCELLATIONS

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

- Brainerd Just For Kix Website - [justforkix.com/danceclasses/brainerd-mn](http://justforkix.com/danceclasses/brainerd-mn)
- Remind Text (to those that have subscribed)
- Mass e-mail (to those who have supplied their correct e-mail address in their account)
- Announcement on 106.7 WJJY

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.

# DATES AT A GLANCE

## November

- 1st - Nov Payment Due
- 23rd - No Class (Thanksgiving)
- 24th - No Class
- 27th - Show Rehearsals at BHS
- 28th - WDT CLC Meet at Tech

## December

- 1st - Dec Payment Due
- 2nd - Holiday Shows at BHS
- 11-14th - Dance Photos
- 18-22nd - Master Classes (no regular class)
- 25-1st - Studio Closed
- 28th - Outback Bowl participants leave for Tampa!

## January

- 1st - Jan Payment Due
- 2nd - Studio opens for 2nd half of season
- 3rd - Outback Bowl Participants fly home.
- 12th - WDT CLC Meet at Sartell
- 15th - No School but we WILL have classes
- 28th - Foley TWD

## February

- 1st - Feb Payment Due
- 3rd - WDT Sections
- 9th - Pre - 3rd grade kick off show at Forestview
- 10th - 4th - 12th grade kick off show at CLC
- 16-17th - WDT State
- 24-25th - Eastview TWD

## HOMECOMING - SATURDAY, SEPT 30TH

This is for **Kick classes only**. If you dancer is not in a kick class and wants to perform in the parade and/or halftime, you will need to join a kick class for the month of Sept. Thank you.

### Parade Info (K & Up Kick Classes)

**ARRIVAL INFO:** Meet downtown Brainerd (by post office) at 9:30am. Look for JFK truck. Parade begins at 10:30am.

**WEATHER:** If it is raining on the performance day and we need to cancel, we will post it on the Brainerd Just For Kix Facebook page, website and announce on WJYY.

**HYDRATE:** The day and evening before and the morning of.

**PARADE ATTIRE:** New Blue JFK T Shirt worn with Long Sleeve White Shirt under. (PLEASE NO GRAPHICS OR WRITING ON SLEEVES!) Black leggings, SOLID BLACK SHOES. Hair should be in a High Ponytail.

**DANCER PICK UP:** Immediately following our performance in the parade please pick up at the north side of the football field by the gate. Please be there the minute your child is done. Do not wait until the parade is over. Instruct your child to wait by the JFK truck until you arrive. Thank You.

### Halftime Info (2nd & Up Kick Classes)

**ARRIVAL INFO:** Meet on the back side of the field, behind the Visitor Bench at 2pm.

**WEATHER:** If it is raining on the performance day and we need to cancel, we will post it on the Brainerd Just For Kix Facebook page, website and announce on WJYY.

**ADMISSION:** Parents will be required to pay admission to the game if you choose to watch the halftime performance.

**HALFTIME ATTIRE:** New Blue JFK T Shirt worn with Long Sleeve White Shirt under. (PLEASE NO GRAPHICS OR WRITING ON SLEEVES!) Black leggings, SOLID BLACK SHOES. Hair should be in a High Ponytail.

**DANCER PICK UP:** Immediately following our halftime performance, please pick up your dancer at the back of the field by the Visitors bench. Make sure to set up a meeting spot BEFORE you leave your dancer at the field. **Just For Kix staff will not be supervising after the halftime performance.**

## Freaky Friday Movie Night

Learn a Spooky Combo with your JFK Instructors followed up by a showing of a Halloween Movie at the studio!

**When:** Friday, Oct 13th from 8:30pm - 11pm

**Where:** Baxter Studio

**Who:** 2nd - 12th grade

Come in your spookiest attire (that you can dance in)!

## HALLOWEEN SHOW - FRIDAY, OCT 13TH

1st grade and younger dancers will be performing at our 7th annual Halloween Show at the Baxter Studio. This year we have divided into 3 shows due to the growing number of dancers in our younger classes. There will not be a charge for this show and there will be LIMITED SEATING. Spectators may have to stand for the show. Costume information will be handed out at class. Please see below for what show your dancer will be performing at:

### 5:30pm Show

- Mon Firecrackers (Amanda/Annie)
- Thurs 5:30 Tiny Kix (Cindy)
- Mon Tiny Kix (Amanda)
- Thurs Firecrackers (Amanda/Cindy)

### 6:15pm Show

- Wed Firecrackers (Amanda/Dani)
- Wed 6:00 Teeny Kix (Amanda/Kelly)
- Wed 6:15 Teeny Kix (Cindy)

### 7:00pm Show

- Wed Firecrackers (Amanda/Ally)
- Wed 5:00 Tiny Kix (Amanda/Kelly)
- Wed 4:45 Tiny Kix (Dani)

## NURSING HOME PERFORMANCE MONDAY, OCT 16TH & 17TH

### October 16th Info - Bethany Good Samaritan

Facility Address: 804 Wright St, Brainerd Arrive at: 6:00pm

#### Classes attending this performance:

- 6:15 Wed Teeny Kix (Cindy)
- 4:45 Tiny Kix (Dani)
- 6:00 Thurs Firecrackers Jazz (Dani)
- 6:00 Thurs Firecrackers (Amanda/Cindy)
- 5:30 Thurs Tiny Kix (Cindy)

### October 17th Info - Carefree Living

Facility Address: 2723 Oak St, Brainerd Arrive at: 5:30pm

#### Classes attending this performance:

- 6:15pm Mon Tiny Kix (Amanda)
- 5:00 Wed Tiny Kix (Amanda/Kelly)
- 6:00 Wed Teeny Kix (Amanda/Kelly)
- 7:45 Mon Firecrackers Kick (Amanda)
- 5:30 Wed Firecrackers Kick (Amanda/Kelly)



## Pumpkin Decorating Contest

Dancers are welcome to decorate a pumpkin on their own and bring it to the studio between Oct 1st and Oct 13th. During the Halloween Show and Movie night we will have a voting station and the winner will

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## 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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3	4	5 Studio Opens for 2017-18 season!	6 Teeny Kix #1 Begins	7	8	9 Mass Football Practice 2nd - 12th grade kick at the studio: 10am - 12pm
10	11	12	13	14	15 No Elite Lyrical or Elite HH Make up on 9/23. No Dream Team Jazz Make up on 9/17	16
17 Dream Team Jazz 2-3pm	18	19	20 Int - Adv Gymnastics begins: 3:45 - 4:45pm	21	22	23 Elite Lyrical 9-10am Elite HH 10-11:30am Mass Football Practice 2nd - 12th grade kick at Frank- lin Field 12-1:15pm
24	25	26	27	28	29 Mass Football Practice 2nd - 12th grade kick at BHS field 5-6pm	30 Homecoming Pa- rade and Football Performance for 2nd - 12th kick

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1	2	3	4	5	6 Beginner Gymnas- tics begins: 3:45 -4:45	7 Jazz Production Practice 2nd - 12th grade at studio. 10:00am - noon
8	9	10	11 Last day for Teeny Kix #1	12	13 Halloween Show Pre-1st grade & Halloween Bash for 2nd - 12th grade	14
15	16 Nursing Home Performance - Pre- 1st (see box)	17 Nursing Home Performance - Pre- 1st (see box)	18	19 No Classes - MEA	20 No Classes - MEA	21
22	23 WDT Dance season begins!	24 2-6th Father Daughter, 7-12th Father Daughter, 371 Steppers & Adults Begin	25 Teeny Kix #2 Begins  Pre-1st Father Daughter Begins	26	27	28
29 Miss Dance Team at Eastview HS	30	31 No Classes - Halloween				

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