# JUST FOR KIX 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!



### **NEED TO KNOW**

#### **Parking**

Please park in the parking spots at the church and enter via the side door that has the Just for Kix Poster hanging on the door. It is the door that is to the right of the Main Church doors. Parents and dancers are able to wait in the Adult Education room until the doors open or the Instructor invites you into class.

#### **Class Attire**

Clothing should allow for movement and be tight fitting so we are able to see their joint placements and lines. 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

#### **Contact Information**

**Director:** Melissa Rutledge **Phone:** 507-829-3748

E-Mail: marshall\_mn@justforkix.com

Website/Payments:

www.justforkix.com/danceclasses Follow us on Facebook: Marshall class. Also, be sure to let Melissa know you will not be at class. If there are two absences in a row or in a month, you will need to speak with Melissa before rejoining the 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.

#### Supervison

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.

Remind App - to get text messages for class. Just Text @907e7 Mon @3c1a4 Tue @3c1a4c Thur to 81010



The third annual Just For Kix Together We Dance Nationals.

#### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

April 24th - 26th, 2020 Mayo Civic Center Rochester, MN

## WE MAKE IT EASY TO STAY INFORMED

#### **WEBSITE**

justforkix.com/danceclasses -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.

#### **BIMONTHLY NEWSLETTER**

Each dancer should bring home a printed bimonthly newsletter or will receive a email PDF version. You can also find these posted on your local website. These newsletters will have important dates and information for upcoming events.

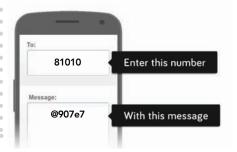
#### E-MAIL

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:**

Get current information fast with the Remind App. Announcements for bad weather, changes in plans, etc. It's easy to use \*\*our app may be different than this, please ask which app we are using!\*\*

Just Text @907e7 to 81010 to begin receiving texts from Melissa.



# 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.



# 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.

justforkix.com/danceclasses



# The Just For Kix Dance Season

Our dance session is broken down into two parts:

#### Sept-Dec

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.

#### Jan-Apr

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.

### **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.
- 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

#### **UNIFORMS**

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

We ask that students try on their uniform upon receipt. 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.



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.



<sup>\*</sup> By giving us your check, please be aware that you are authorizing Just For Kix to make a one-time electronic debit from your account at the financial institution indicated on your check. This electronic debit will be for the amount of your check. No additional amount will be added to the amount.

#### DANCE YEAR AT A GLANCE

#### September

Fancy Nancy Camp on 9/21, Bring a Friend to Kick Class 9/23, 9/24, 9/26, Uniform Orders due on 9/25

#### October

Hip Hop Starts on 10/3, SMSU Homecoming Parade Performance on 10/12, Teeny Kix starts on 10/17, Super Monsters Camp on 10/19, Tap SS1 starts 10/20.

#### **November**

Partner Dance Special Session starts on 11/3, Frozen Camp

11/9, Mass Finale Practice 11/16, Uniform to class on 11/21, 25, & 26th. No class on 11/28. Morning Side Heights performance 11/27

#### December

Mass practice 12/6, Winter Show on Sunday 12/8, Picture Day 12/9 & 12/10, Meet the Tiger Night Performance 12/16, Winter Break - No Class (12/23 to 1/3/20).

#### January

No Classes on 1/2/20, Big South Conference Performance 1/6/20

#### **February**

Teeny Kix SS2 Begins - 2/6, Elite Kick begins 2/20, Sauk Rapids 2 TWD 2/29 & 3/1

#### March

Community Give Back Show 3/6, Tap SS2 Begins 3/15, Shimmer & Shine Camp 3/21, Brandon TWD 3/22, Teeny Kix SS3 & Wee Petite Hip Hop Begins 3/26, Eden Prairie TWD 3/28 & 3/29

#### April

Spring Registration Opens 4/3, Mass Finale Practice 4/4, Father/Daughter Special Session begins 4/5, Morning Side Heights Performance 4/17, Life of Pets Camp 4/18, Rochester Nationals 4/24 - 4/26

#### May

Mass Rehearsal 5/2, Spring Show 5/3, Love Mom Camp 5/16

#### June

**Relay for Life Performance** 

#### What Class Am I in?

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Teeny Kix (3 - 4 year olds)

Pre-Petite (4 & 5 year olds Preschoolers) Wee Petite Kick & Jazz (Kindegarten & 1st Grade)

Wee Kick & Jazz (2nd & 3rd Grade)
Wee Hip Hop (2nd - 3rd Grade)
Mini Kix (4th & 5th Grade)
Mini Jazz & Lyrical (4th - 5th Grade)
Mini Hip Hop (4th - 5th Grade)
Middle Kix (6th Grade)
Middle Jazz & Lyrical (6th - 7th Grade)
Middle Hip Hop (6th - 7th Grade)
Jr/Sr Kix (7th - 12th Grade)
Jr/Sr Jazz & Lyrical (8th - 12th Grade)
Jr/Sr Hip Hop (8th - 12th Grade)

### **Cancellations**

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

- iusforkix.com/danceclasses
- · KKCK Radio Station, Marshall
- JFK Website, Marshall JFK Facebook Page, and Remind Text Alerts
- 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. Any classes that are cancelled will be rescheduled for a later date, unless pre-planned make-up classes have already been scheduled.

# **Upcoming Events**

First Day of Classes 9/9, 9/10, 9/12
Fancy Nancy Camp on 9/21
Bring a Friend to Kick Class 9/23, 9/24, & 9/26
Uniform Orders due on 9/25
Hip Hop Starts on 10/3
SMSU Parade on 10/12
Super Monsters Camp on 10/19
Teeny Kix starts on 10/17

#### ATTENDANCE IS KEY!!!!!

Please make sure your dancer is at class each week, we have limited class time and we are a TEAM and have to work together! If you are missing due to illness or vacation, please E-mail (marshall\_mn@justforkix.com) or call Melissa.





### **Contact Us**

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For over 35 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.



# SEP 2019 EXTRA NOTES

Bring a Friend Night to Kick Class 9/23, 9/24, & 9/26

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Class pmt due 1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8		10 First Day of Class	11	12 First Day of Class	13	14
15	JFK Classes	JFK Classes	18	JFK Classes	20	Fancy Nancy Camp 9:30 to 11 AM
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6	7 JFK Classes	JFK Classes	9	JFK Classes	11	12 SMSU Home- coming Parade Performance
13	JFK Classes	JFK Classes	16	JFK Classes - Teeny Kix SS1 Begins	18	Super Monsters Camp 9:30 - 11 AM
20 Tap SS1 begins	JFK Classes	JFK Classes	23	JFK Classes	25	26
27	JFK Classes	JFK Classes	30	31 NO CLASS - Happy Halloween		



All Hip Hop classes begin, Super Monsters Camp 10/19, Teeny Kix SS1 starts 10/17.

