BECKER - COMPETITION DETAILS – FINAL AS OF 2/23/24 – ALL MAJOR CHANGES ARE HIGHLIGHTED IN THIS SHADE OF BLUE!

Alexandria Together We Dance Competition - Saturday, February 24th

Location: Alexandria High School 4300 Pioneer Rd SE Alexandria MN

This is a big event – remember to allow plenty of time to find parking, walk into the building, and find our meeting location. Make sure you note the side your dancer is performing on for each division they are participating in, as this is a two-sided event. Please reach out with any questions!

PARKING - There is a large lot on the south side of the facility, a north lot, and an overflow parking area off the south driveway of the facility. <u>Please DO NOT park on the grass. The school has asked</u> us to communicate that "if you have to drive up on the curb, it's the grass". If we do not abide by this request, we will not be able to use this facility as a competition site in the future.

ADMISSION - There will be NO ADMISSION at any of the TWD Competitions.

PARTICIPANT WRISTBANDS - Directors will receive wristbands for **paid** participants, which will be distributed the day of competition. Dancers will not be able to participate the day of competition without the wristband. Your account has been billed for this event- if you have not already done so, please log in and pay by 11:59pm Sunday, February 11th. Thank you!

LUNCH/MONEY - There will be food & merchandise available for purchase.

HAIR/UNIFORM/MAKE-UP – Please arrive in uniform with hair and make-up done. Please check to make sure you have all costume pieces NOW; kick classes should also wear black socks (from home) that cover the ankle. Red lipstick is required for all competing dancers; blush is recommended, any other make-up is optional. If you are in two or more dances it is recommended to wear a leotard under for easy changing – only do this if the is not visible under the costume. Make sure your hair is VERY NEAT – all classes should wear their hair in a low bun with a CENTER part, same as for all performances this year. For those in more than one class – changing areas are limited, but DO NOT change out in the open; please use changing tents provided.

NO GLITTER - Teams wearing glitter may be disqualified. This is a facility issue – glitter is very hard to clean up off the performance floor.

MEETING AREA - We will have an assigned meeting place to gather. Our meeting area is the AUX. GYM. Please remember to bring minimal personal belongings, items left in the meeting area are done so at your own risk as we will be sharing the space with several other programs. Put everything in one bag; label all personal items with your name and town.

HOW DO I FIND MY DANCER AFTER THE COMPETITION - Please meet your dancer back in our meeting area after awards are done.

DIVISIONS - Competition divisions are based on grade range and class size. Your division may not have the same title as your normal class name. The final schedule will be posted online at <u>www.justforkix.com/twd</u> within 24 hours of the event.

JUDGING – The same judging sheet will be used as the last year; this will be discussed at our parent meeting!

MESSAGE TO PARENTS - Competition day is an exciting and high-adrenaline day. At this point in the season, the dancers are still working on polishing and mastering new skills. As always, this will be a tough competition. I have prepared the dancers for that fact, but sometimes I think we as parents need to be prepared for that as well. We are biased to your kids. I like to stress to our dancers to do their best, display good sportsmanship, learn something new and enjoy the day!! I will ALWAYS stress that doing our best is more important than being the best and that I will love them the same no matter if we get first place or last place. In our program we are also very clear with kids that poor sportsmanship will NOT be tolerated; there will be consequences in regards to remaining competitions for the season if dancers to not abide by this. Thanks for your support of your dancers no matter the outcome of the day!!

DANCER ARRIVAL- APPROX PERFORMANCE TIME AND AWARDS-Dancers are free to leave after their awards or stay and cheer other groups! All MAJOR changes are highlighted in this shade of blue!

Mini Kix (4-5th gr) – Mini Kix 1 division

Arrival: 7:10am Performance time: 8:06am Awards: 8:33am Side B

Mini Jazz/Lyrical (4-5th gr) – Mini Jazz 3 and Mini Lyrical 1 divisions

JAZZ - Arrival: 9:20am JAZZ - Performance time: 10:19am JAZZ - Awards: 10:31am JAZZ - Side A ***Dancers must stay with instructors after jazz awards to get ready for their lyrical performance LYRICAL – Performance time: 10:59am LYRICAL – Awards: 11:26am LYRICAL – Side B

Mini Hip Hop (4-5th gr) – Mini Hip Hop 2 division

Arrival: 11:50am

Performance time: 12:48pm Awards: 1:00pm Side B

Jr. Hip Hop (6-12th gr) – Jr. Hip Hop 1 division

Arrival: 1:40pm Performance time: 2:39pm Awards: 2:54pm Side A

Jr. Lyrical (6-12th gr) – Jr./Sr. Lyrical division

Arrival: 2:40pm Performance time: 3:39pm Awards: 4:06pm Side A

Jr. Jazz (6-12th gr) – Jr. Jazz division

Arrival: 4:00pm Performance time: 5:11pm Awards: 5:41pm Side B

Middle Kix (6-7th gr) – Middle Kix 1 division

Arrival: 4:20pm Performance time: 5:26pm Awards: 5:41pm Side A

***Dancers who are in multiple classes – some arrival times for the Jr. and Middle level classes overlap with other class's awards times. If this is the case for your dancer, instructors will let her know exactly when she should change costumes for the next class as well as when she will practice with each class in between performances and awards. We will make sure everyone knows where they need to be on competition day...just know that if they go right from one class into another, they will stay with instructors for that entire chunk of time.

Sr. Kix (8-12th gr) – Sr. Kix division

Arrival: 5:45pm Performance time: 6:38pm Awards: 7:01pm Side A