Mar/Apr/May 2025 Becker, MN

JUST FOR KIX

Dear Dancers and Parents,

Our season is rapidly winding down. The dancers have improved so much this year! It is truly a pleasure to work with your child each week. As the season nears it's end, we are working on perfecting routines for upcoming events. The teams are so excited for upcoming performances, Together We Dance Competitions and the Spring Show. Remember, the dancers love to have loud cheering sections at events, so be sure to invite everyone. Thank you for your continued support.



NEED TO KNOW

ATTENDANCE

Good attendance is so important as we head into show and competition season. We dance as a team and positioning and formation work is difficult with missing members of the team. Please make every effort to attend every class. Each dancer is an important piece of the puzzle.

MAKE UP CLASSES

We are working with the school to schedule our make-up practice for Tuesday night classes, to make up for the cancelled class on 2/18/25. I will communicate our plan in the weekly email as soon as I have confirmation from the school! Reminder that Tuesday classes will not meet on Tuesday, 4/29/25 due to instructors having to leave for Nationals that evening; the make-up class for that night is scheduled for Wednesday, 4/23/25 at our regular location and times!

PAYMENTS

Just a reminder as we head into the final months of our season, that all accounts must be current for dancers to participate in class, compete and perform. We recommend just making your March and April payments, If possible, at the beginning of March to save you a step. Payments are due the 1st of each month. Late payments will be assessed a \$10.00 late fee. We recommend that you make your payments online by going to

www.justforkix.com/danceclasses and logging in there with the login information the home office provided. If you need login information please contact me and I will have it sent to you. Payments can also be made to the home office by calling (218) 829-7107.

SPRING SHOW

Only those dancers with a zero balance in their account can perform at the Spring Show. For details on the Spring Show we will be sending a separate Spring Show Newsletter.

TOGETHER WE DANCE COMPETITIONS

Some of our older classes will be participating in TWD events in the next couple of months. A separate handout will be done with details on these upcoming events. These can also be found on our website at

www.justforkix.com/danceclasses. Competition fees will be billed into your dancers account prior to the event. These fees will need to be paid in order for the dancer to receive their wristband. Wristbands will be required for all dancers taking the floor the day of the event.

SUMMER CLASSES

We have some exciting classes we are adding throughout the summer months to help our dancers maintain flexibility over the break and to continue to build in the areas of strength and technique. We will communicate our summer offerings to you once they are ready and open for registration!

REGISTER NOW

Spring Registration

In April, you will receive your registration packet for next season. We are asking that you take the opportunity to register this Spring. It helps me immensely with planning for class sizes, staffing and any additions I need to make. Stay tuned for more information about this year's early registration contest!!

Registration is Easy!

Complete the online registration process at www.justforkix. com/danceclasses. You will be able to select classes and order your uniform. I will be sizing dancers who need new uniforms for next season at class. I allow room for growth over the Summer months. There is also detailed sizing information and size charts availble online. Order your uniform NOW to beat the rush.

- There are no lines to wait in!
- Uniforms can be ordered and paid for now rather than waiting for fall and back to school time.
- Uniforms will be delivered early in the new season.
- Any Spring order uniform exchanges needed, take precedence over Fall order fulfillment.
- Any or all class fee payments can be made now.
- Guarantees your spot in class!
- The only commitment you make is your non-refundable registration fee.

Tell your non-Just For Kix friends about our registration date which is open to the public. They are missing ALL the fun!!

* While you are at it, sign up for our convenient auto-pay option which will have your monthly payment automatically deducted from your account on the first of each month in the season.

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. I will allow spectators in the last five minutes of class so you can see the progress we are making.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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www.justforkix.com/danceclasses/becker-mn **Follow us on Facebook:** Just For Kix - Becker,

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Just For Kix

Thank you to all of our dance families for the support and trust you've put in us for over 40 years!



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. 10:00am - 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.

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.

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



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.

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.

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.

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.

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.



JUST FOR KIX HIGH SCHOOL DANCE CAMPS

7th grade and up

SAVE THE DATES

I encourage you all to check into a Just For Kix Camp this Summer. It is a great way to take your dancing to the next level! Check into the Summer camp schedule at www.justforkix.com/dancecamps STORM LAKE, IA | JUN 23-26 STEVENS POINT, WI | JUN 28-JUL 1 BRAINERD, MN #1 | JUL 7-10 BRAINERD, MN #2 | JUL 13-16 BRAINERD, MN #3 | JUL 20-23

Check with your local Just For Kix about Youth Camp Dates.

DANCE YEAR AT A GLANCE

March:

3/2 - Becker/Annandale/Delano Community Show for all classes @ Annandale High School -TENTATIVE 3:00pm show time 3/11 - Spring Teeny Kix begins (8 week class for 2-4 yr olds) 3/21 -Friends and Family Stage Show Performance for all PreK-3rd graders and Solos/Duets/Trios show time 6:20pm Sunday 3/23 - Brainerd TWD Competition for all 4-12th grade Week of 3/24 - Tie Dye Week! Sunday 3/30 - St. Cloud TWD Competition for all 2-12th grade classes (except Wee Jazz/Hip Hop)

April:

4/1 - Spring Special Session Registrations Due 4/4 - Required Mass Practice for all full year Kick and Lyrical Classes *See March/April Newsletter for class times/location 4/23 - Make-up Practice for Tuesday Classes - all classes held at their regular location and times 4/25 - Spring Special Sessions Class #1 ***Classes offered this Spring

include: Just For Sibs (sibling class), K-12th or Father/Dancer, 4-12th gr Spring Lights (2-3rd graders will be allowed to take this class on an individual basis - must talk with Jess for permission), K-3rd gr. Pom, and Adult Hip Hop (non-performing) 4/29 - No Class for Tuesday Classes due to JFK Nationals Competition 4/30 - 5/2 (Wednesday through Friday)- Rochester JFK Nationals Competition for Jr. and Sr. level classes ONLY

***Solos/Duets will compete Wednesday; Jr. Hip Hop and Jr. Pom will compete Thursday; Sr. Kix, Jr. Jazz, and Jr. Lyrical will compete Friday

5/1 - No Class for Thursday Classes due to JFK Nationals Competition (make-up practice is already built into the schedule) Week of 5/5 - Last Week of Class and Beach Week!

5/9 - Spring Special Session Class

5/10 - Spring Shows for all classes - show times 3:00pm and 6:00pm ***Some classes will perform at both Spring Shows, others will perform in only one show - this info. will be sent via email

SPRING SPECIAL SESSIONS

Spring Special Sessions are now live online and open for registration!! This year we are offering:

- K-12th grade Father/Dancer (2 week class)
- Spring Lights for 4-12th graders; 2-3rd graders please have a one-on-one conversation with me if your dancer would like to join and I will let you know if your dancer is ready for this class (2 week class)
- Just For Sibs! (2 week class) Back by popular demand, this is a partner class for sibling sets, dancers age 3 years old -12th grade can register with a partner as long as one of them in the pair is at least 7 years old. Due to the way the choreography is set up, we need at least one of the siblings to be at least 7 years old. If your dancer doesn't have a sibling but wants to participate, they could dance with a cousin, friend, etc. No boyfriends though - thanks! When registering for Just For Sibs!, you only pay one class fee per pair, just like with Mother/Dancer and Father/Dancer. Both partners will need to purchase a show shirt (listed as a required uniform piece when you register for the class). Register ASAP to reserve your dancer's spot!
- Pom for K-3rd graders (2 week class) - Adult Hip Hop (non-performing - 2 week class) We are so excited to be offering so many options for our kids! Registration is open now through April 1st - register now to reserve your dancer's spot!

CANCELLATION

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

May:

- jusforkix.com/danceclasses/becker-mn
- Announcement text in BAND
- Mass e-mail (to those who supplied their e-mail address to us)
- Facebook post

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

Just For Kix Friends and Family Stage Show for Preschool-3rd grade classes and Solos/Duets: Show Date/Time/Location: Friday, March 21st at 6:20pm at the Becker High School PAC

Admission: \$5/ adults and students at the door; dancers and age 5 and under are FREE!

Arrival Times: All dancers please arrive to the PAC at 6:00pm; dancers can be dropped off on the stage with instructors

Uniform/Hair Information: Dancers please arrive in full uniform with "show hair" done (same show hairstyles that we have used all year Preschool and K-1st hair curled and pulled up into half-pony with hairpiece in front of pony; 2-3rd - low dancer bun with center part and bangs pinned back)

Pick-up Instructions: All dancers can be picked up from the stage by one parent following their final performance so they can watch the rest of the show with them!







For over 40 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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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
23	24	25	26	27	28	1 Class Pmt Due
2 Community Show 3pm	3 Mon. Classes	4 Tue. Classes	5	6 Thur. Classes	7	8
9	10 Mon. Classes	11 Tue. Classes	12	Thur. Classes	14	15
16	Mon. Classes	18 Tue. Classes	19	Thur. Classes	Friends and Family Stage Show 6:20pm	22
Brainerd Competition	Mon. Classes - TIE DYE WEEK!	Tue. Classes - TIE DYE WEEK!	26	Thur. Classes - TIE DYE WEEK!	29	29
St. Cloud Competition	31 Mon. Classes	1	2	3	4	5

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	31	1 Tue. Classes	2	3 Thur. Classes	REQUIRED Mass Practice	5
6	Mon. Classes	8 Tue. Classes	9	10 Thur. Classes	11	12
13	Mon. Classes	Tue. Classes	16	Thur. Classes	18	19
20	Mon. Classes	Tue. Classes	Tue. Classes Make-Up Practice	Thur. Classes	Special Session Class #1	26
27	Mon. Classes	No Tue. Classes	30 Nationals - Day 1	Nationals - Day 2 - No Thur. Classes	Nationals - Day	3
4	Last Mon. Class - BEACH WEEK!	Last Tue. Class - BEACH WEEK!	7	Last Thur. Class - BEACH WEEK!	9	Spring Shows 3pm and 6pm

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REQUIRED MASS PRACTICE SCHEDULE:

Our REQUIRED Mass Practice for all full season kick classes and both Lyrical classes is taking place on Friday, April 4th in the locations listed below. At mass practice, Tiny Kix dancers will learn the majority of a Spring Show routine and all K-12th grade dancers will learn an entire production routine and/or the show finale routine. With mass practice being so close to the Spring Show, attendance is INCREDIBLY important! The schedule and locations for our Mass Practices are below:

Both Tiny Kix (full year class for 3-5 yo) - 5:00-6:00pm - meet in Intermediate School Cafeteria

Both Wee Petites (K-1st gr) - 6:15-7:45pm - meet in Intermediate School Cafeteria

Both Wee Kix (2-3rd gr), Mini Kix (4-5th gr), Middle Kix (6-7th gr), Sr. Kix (8-12th gr) - 6:15-8:15pm - meet in Intermediate School Cafeteria Mini Jazz/Lyrical (4-5th gr) and Jr. Lyrical (6-12th gr) - 4:00-6:00pm - meet in Multipurpose Room