

DECEMBER **WINTER SHOW** NEWSLETTER

**This Newsletter has all
you need to know about
our big WINTER SHOW
on Sunday, Dec. 17th.
Please read through all
details!**



SAVE THE DATES...

WINTER SHOW DRESS REHEARSAL
(in studio)

Week of Dec. 11th-15th During
regularly scheduled classes

WINTER SHOW

Sunday, December 17th at St. Cloud
State - Ritsche Auditorium

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION WEEK

December 18th-21st in all regularly
scheduled classes

VALENTINES SHOW

Pre K-1st grade only (in studio)
Saturday, February 10th - Times TBD

SPRING SHOW

Saturday, May 18th - Times TBD

LAST WEEK OF CLASSES

MAY 20th-22nd - Master classes will be
offered for all ages! There will be no
classes on Thursday, May 23rd.

NO CLASS DATES

Thanksgiving - Thursday, November
23rd

Winter Break - December 25th-Jan 7th

Spring Break - March 25th-March 29th

CHRISTMAS JOY WEEK!

DEC. 18-21

IN YOUR REGULARLY SCHEDULED CLASSES

We will be celebrating the Holiday all week long!
Wear your most festive attire and we will have
treats in the lobby for all dancers and parents!
Who knows...maybe Santa will even stop by!!!

CLASS PAYMENTS

This is your friendly reminder that class payments are due on the first of every month. Please make those payments before you send your dancer to class. There is a late fee of \$10 per dancer if fees are late. If class fees are not up to date before our show, your dancer cannot participate.

CHRISTMAS BREAK REMINDER

Our Christmas break for the studio is Dec. 25 through Jan 7. Classes resume Monday, January 8th!
Enjoy your holidays!!!

DRESS REHEARSAL IN YOUR REGULARLY SCHEDULED CLASS THE WEEK OF DEC.11-14

We will be having a dress rehearsal the week of Dec. 11th-14th in your regularly scheduled dance classes at the Just For Kix studio!

WHAT TO BRING

We ask that you bring all costumes and hair pieces so we can make sure every dancer has the right costumes/accessories. This will include your costume, tights, shoes, and hair accessories.

MAKEUP/HAIR

Makeup is not needed for these rehearsals, but Hair should be done. We have a sample of how to do your hair and wear accessories on the next page.

MISSING COSTUME?

If you are missing a costume or accessory, please fill out the form on page 4. Our office will get you everything you need. DON'T WORRY ;)

HAIR AND MAKEUP

TINY KIX & PRE-PETITES HAIR

Half ponytail with curls – Hairpiece worn in the center of the pony. (pictured below)

ALL OTHER DANCERS' HAIR

Low bun with a center part. No bangs in the face. All hair accessories and barrettes are to be worn on the right side of the bun. If they have two clips, they are to be worn on both sides of the bun. If they have one big bow, it is to be worn on the top of the bun. (all pictured below) Bun formers and hair nets are allowed but not mandatory and are available in the studio store. We highly recommend these items if you have a hard time making a bun. We have most hair clips available for purchase in our studio store in case one breaks or gets lost.

ALL DANCERS:

We recommend that all dancers wear stage makeup so that the lights at the show do not wash out their faces and their facial expressions can really SHINE! Each parent may decide how much or how little to apply. These are just recommendations.

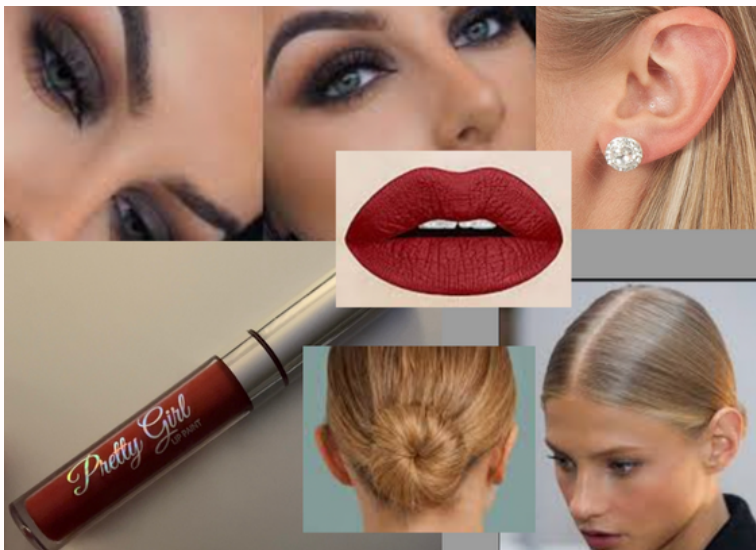
Eyeshadow: Smoky eye with brown tones.

Lipstick: We have a lipstain available in our store that will be required for competitions, but any dark red will be ok for the Winter Show.

Fake Eyelashes: Highly encouraged for K-12th grade dancers, but optional.

Earrings: Small earrings should be worn for all 2nd-12th grade classes. These are the same earrings that will be used for all competitions and are available in our studio store.

Hair & Makeup for:
Firecrackers, Dynamites, and all other
classes 2nd grade and up.
Earrings are only required for 2nd grade
and up.



Lip stain and earrings are available in the studio store

Bows in center



Single Clips on
right side



2 clips on both sides



Hair for:
Tiny Kix &
Pre-Petites
Hairpieces
in center



MISSING COSTUMES

IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED YOUR COSTUME, OR ARE WAITING ON CERTAIN ITEMS OR EXCHANGES, PLEASE FILL OUT THIS FORM SO WE HAVE A RECORD OF WHAT YOU NEED. OUR OFFICE IS FANTASTIC AT GETTING US ALL OF OUR ORDERS ON TIME, SO DON'T WORRY!

Copy and paste this link or scan the QR code below

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PREPARING FOR OUR WINTER SHOW

**OUR SHOWS ARE SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17TH
AT ST. CLOUD STATE – RITSCH AUDITORIUM**

COSTUMES

You should have your dancer's costume ordered if they plan on participating in our Winter Show! These costumes will be coming in almost every day and instructors will hand them out in class. Our main office works MIRACLES to get you costumes, even if ordered late. If you are missing items, scan the QR code on the missing costumes page of this newsletter!

BAND APPS

As our classes start/continue learning their routines for the Winter show, make sure you ask your instructor about the Band Group for your class! Students can then practice routines at home to make sure they are prepared. If you didn't receive them, please email and let us know! stcloud_mn@justforkix.com.

TICKETS FOR OUR SHOW – Go on sale on December 1st at 9:00am!

Tickets for our shows will be sold online. This allows you to choose your own seat and not have to wait in line the day of the show! We will still sell tickets at the door, but prices will be slightly higher.

TICKETS WILL GO ON SALE ON DECEMBER 1ST AT 9AM. Sales will end the day before our show, Dec. 16th at 5pm. THEY SELL FAST SO IF YOU WANT PREMIUM SEATING, DON'T WAIT TO PURCHASE!

ADULTS – PRESALE: \$14

STUDENTS – PRESALE (high school and under): \$11

TICKET PRICE AT THE DOOR THE DAY OF THE SHOW: \$15 FOR ALL AGES

***Children on laps do not need to purchase a ticket. Dancers in the show do not need to purchase a ticket.**

You can copy and paste this link to purchase your seats here:

<https://28357.danceticketing.com/landing.cfm?loc=4>

**You can also Scan
this QR code
for the ticketing
website:**



SHOW DAY MAP

RITSCHKE AUDITORIUM AT ST. CLOUD STATE UNIVERSITY

- We will have pink dance signs by each parking lot
- One parent drops off dancer at Stewart Hall entrance – staff will lead dancers to their designated practice space.
- All spectators enter auditorium from the front side of Ritsche
- We use the address to Atwood Memorial Center (which is right next to Ritsche Auditorium) – 651 1st Ave S, St. Cloud, MN 56301. We suggest this because we have had issues finding the theatre by entering Ritsche auditorium into GPS.

FREE PARKING IN LOTS: O, L, H, B

THE BLUE STARS ARE PARKING RAMPS, BUT WILL REQUIRE A FEE.



WINTER SHOW ORDERS

Dancers should arrive 30 minutes prior to show start.

11:00AM SHOW

Senior Kix
Dazzler Hip-Hop
Tiny Kix Monday
Pre Petite Monday
Sparkler Kick
Firecracker Hip-Hop Thursday
Dazzler Jazz
Hip Hop Production
Intermission
Mom and Me Routine
Firecracker Jazz Thursday
Dazzler Kick
Placement Lyrical Production
Firecracker Kick Thursday
Dazzler Ballet/Lyrical
Placement Jazz Production

1:30PM SHOW

Senior Kix
Tiny Kix Tuesday
Firecracker Ballet/Lyrical
Twinkler Hip Hop
Pre Petite Tuesday
Mom and Me routine
Twinkler Jazz
Firecracker Kick Tuesday
Hip-Hop Production
Intermission
Starlite Kick
Twinkler Ballet/Lyrical
Dynamite Kick
Placement Lyrical Production
Firecracker Jazz Tuesday
Twinkler Kick
Dynamite Jazz
Placement Jazz Production

WINTER SHOW ORDERS

Dancers should arrive 30 minutes prior to show start.

4:00PM SHOW

Senior Kix

Tiny Kix Wednesday

Pre Petite Wednesday

Starmaker Jazz

Rising/Shooting Kick

Showstopper Jazz

Hip-Hop Production

Intermission

Mom and Me routine

Showstopper Kick

Pre Petite Hip-Hop

Placement Lyrical Production

Starmaker Hip-Hop

Wishing Starz

Starmaker Lyrical

Placement Jazz Production

IMPORTANT DANCER INFORMATION

LABEL ALL COSTUME PIECES

Please be sure to label EVERYTHING! All costume pieces and clothing items dancers wear to the show should be labeled with their name and what class they are in on the tag or a piece of tape on the inside of their garment. With so many quick changes, things tend to get mixed up and forgotten, so this is an easy way for us to get the items back to their correct owner!

FOOD & BEVERAGES

Food & beverages (with the exception of water) are not permitted in the auditorium. In the dancer holding areas you may bring snacks and we recommend packing a water bottle for them to stay hydrated. Be aware we have dancers with **SEVERE NUT ALLERGIES** so do not bring any products with nuts. Please also talk to your dancer about cleaning up after themselves as we need to respect this space.

QUICK CHANGES

We have a bathroom backstage as well as a changing tent for extreme quick changes (1-2 songs to change) Dancers can place quick change items backstage BEFORE the show.

The more organized you are, the easier it is for dancers to find their items during the show!

- Have each costume & all accessories in a large Ziploc bag labeled with your child's name and the class that the costume is for (or for younger dancers, you can print a picture and tape to the bag). This is especially important for dancers in 3rd grade and younger so our backstage helpers can easily help your child.

- Be sure to pack extra tights, bobby pins, hair gel, hairspray, etc.

- Have an order of performance, with your child's dances highlighted, packed in their dance bin/bag so that they know what order their routines are in.

- Speed is important! Our shows are on a tight schedule, so dancers should do their best to not hold up the show with their changes.

ARRIVAL TIME

Dancers should arrive in the costume that they perform FIRST in with hair and makeup completely done. Arrival time is 30 minutes before show start.

Timeliness on show day is SO important! We ask that you DO NOT arrive earlier than your designated arrival time. We will be clearing the building from the prior show and do not want the crowds to co-mingle.

DURING THE SHOW

Dancers are NOT allowed to leave the building during a show unless a parent is taking their dancer. Dancers should also NOT be wandering around the auditorium. They have designated hold areas that they will stay in.

PARENTS: WHAT TO EXPECT

DANCER DROPOFF

We will have staff members at the main entrance to guide dancers toward their holding areas. Parents may assist in walking dancers back to their area, but the doors to the auditorium will not open until 20 minutes prior to each show. Since we have assigned seating, there is no need to form a line in the lobby.

DURING THE SHOW

Once the show has begun, please refrain from moving while a team is performing. If you must leave your seat, please do so in between performances. We welcome you to applaud and cheer on the dancers!

AFTER THE SHOW

Our last number will be the finale which encompasses all classes K-12th. The only classes NOT in the finale are Tiny Kix, Pre-Petites, and Wishing Starz classes. We will guide all other dancers back to their holding areas backstage to gather their belongings at the end of the show. Parents must come backstage to pick up all dancers 3rd grade and under. Older dancers may exit to the lobby to find their parents. Please make a plan with your child on where you will meet.

BETWEEN SHOWS

We will be clearing the auditorium between each show. If you are attending multiple shows, please make sure to exit the auditorium and wait in the lobby until the doors to the auditorium reopen. Dancers in every show have the option to stay at the theatre in the holding rooms between shows. Make sure they have food/water if they stay the whole day as the venue does not provide food.

TINY KIX, PRE-PETITES, & WISHING STARZ PARENTS: WHAT TO EXPECT

TINY KIX AND PRE-PETITES

This may be your first show if you have a Tiny Kix or Pre-Petite dancer, and we know it can be overwhelming! The most important thing to remember is that you don't know how your child will react when stepping onstage for the first time. They may cry, stand there and do nothing, or be a superstar! Know that these are all NORMAL reactions! This is all a normal part of the learning experience for each dancer.

DROP OFF & PICK UP

We have placed their routines towards the beginning of our shows so they do not have to wait in a holding room for the entire show. You will drop your dancer off in the main lobby of the theatre, where a staff member will be taking dancers back to their holding area. You may also walk your dancer to their holding room. You will then take your seat and wait for their performance.

After they have finished dancing, you will see staircases on the sides of the stage. You will come up to the stage stairs and pick up your dancer immediately following their performance. This way, some parents may leave after their performance, or stay and watch the whole show. These dancers are welcome to sit on a parent's lap during the rest of the show so they do not have to purchase another ticket!

WISHING STARZ

At intermission, you will walk your dancer to our holding areas in the hallway in the lobby! You will see a sign that says Wishing Starz on a doorway where they are going to be held. You will then take your seat and wait for their performance. After they have finished dancing, you will see staircases on the sides of the stage, or a ramp backstage. You will come up to the stage stairs and pick up your dancer. This way, some parents may leave after their performance, or stay and watch the rest of the show.

Since this is the only class that has students who will need a seat, we will reimburse you for their seat after our shows are completed. You would just need to contact scstudiomanager@justforkix.com to let her know you purchased a seat for your dancer. We have wheelchair-accessible seating throughout the theatre!

FLOWER SALES

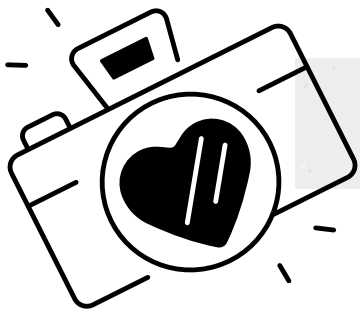
**We will be selling flowers in the lobby before and after our shows as a fundraiser for our families performing in the Reliaquest Bowl in Tampa Florida! Support our families while giving a beautiful gift to your dancer!
We will accept cash or Venmo.**

1 ROSE FOR \$4

OR

3 ROSES FOR \$10





PHOTOS AT OUR SHOWS

We will have a photographer taking photos at our shows! We will send you a FREE link to download any photos you like after our shows are complete!

We will not be taking professional video. Parents are welcome to record their dancer, but no bright lights or flash can be used. Be mindful when holding your phone in the air as you would not want to block other audience 'members' view.



WINTER SHOW T-SHIRTS

Our theme this year is "Old Fashioned Holiday!"
If you would like to purchase a show shirt you can use the QR code below! They will be delivered to the studio and handed to your dancer before our Winter Show. We will also have shirts available for purchase at the Winter Show!



\$20

ORDER HERE!



SPECIAL SESSION CLASSES COMING UP!

We are excited to share some of our special Sessions this year! These are shorter 3-6 week classes during our season that can be added as extra classes throughout the year. You can find these on our website now!

TURN TECHNIQUE - 4th-12th grade

Feb 14th-March 20th

Wednesdays from 7:15-8:00pm

If you are wanting to improve your turns this is a class for you! You will be learning new drills and exercises to do multiple pirouettes and improve a la secondes!

ADULT HIP-HOP ROUTINE - 18+

April 16th-May 18th

Tuesdays 7:30-8:30pm

Calling all adults 18+! Time to get moving with a fun and energetic Hip-Hop class! You will learn a routine that will be performed in our Spring Show!

STRETCH/STRENGTH & TECHNIQUE *ONCE A MONTH

Septemeber 13th - May 8th

Wednesdays 4:00-5:15pm

Looking for extra technique? Join us the second wednesday of each month for a technique class!

SDS PERFORMANCE CLASS

October 4th - May 1st

Wednesdays 4:00-5:15pm

Want extra feedback on your solo, duet or small group? Join us on the first Wednesday of each month to get critiques from staff!

MUSICAL THEATRE SPRING SHOW OPENER

K-12th grade

April 19th-May 18th

Fridays 4:00-5:00pm

We are creating a musical theatre based opening number for our spring show in this class! It will open our Spring Show! Look out for show theme soon!!

FATHER AND ME DANCE ROUTINE - K-12th grade

April 19th-May 18th

Fridays (Times Vary By Age)

Fathers learn a dance WITH your dancer! This will be performed in our Spring Show!

NEW ONE-DAY POP UP SESSIONS!!!

DANCE TEAM PREP - SUNDAY, MARCH 3RD FOR 6TH-12TH GRADE

SPRING SESSIONS COMING...

ACRO, WALKOVERS, FRONT AERIALS, SIDE AERIALS, ADVANCED ACRO TRICKS AND MORE! Stay tuned for dates and times!!!

Keep these in your calendar!
They are on our website now if you want to register!

2023-2024
ONE DAY
YOUTH CAMPS!
PRE K-3RD GRADE

AUGUST

THURSDAY AUG. 24
5:00-6:30PM



BEACH THEMED CAMP

SEPTEMBER

SATURDAY SEPT. 23
9:30-11:00AM



BLUEY THEMED CAMP

OCTOBER

SATURDAY OCT. 14
9:30-11:00AM



**AMPERINA
THEMED CAMP**

DECEMBER

SATURDAY DEC.
9:30-11:00AM



TROLLS THEMED CAMP

JANUARY

SATURDAY JAN. 13
9:30-11:00AM



FROZEN THEMED CAMP

MARCH

FRIDAY MAR. 15
5:00-6:30PM



**LITTLE MERMAID
THEMED CAMP**

2ND-12TH GRADE

TOGETHER WE DANCE COMPETITIONS



With the new year comes competition season for 2nd grade and up! These are called "Together We Dance" competitions or TWD's. This is a competition where Just For Kix programs all over the country come and compete with each other! It's such a memorable and exciting event for dancers. Below is what you need to know!

HOW TWD COMPETITIONS WORK

If your dancer is in a competition class (2nd grade and up), you will automatically be billed for their competitions through their dance account.

If you are unable to make it to a competition, please let us know ASAP, as it affects our teams' formations and practices. We can then take the charge out of your account if you are unable to attend! Once dancers have paid for their competition fees in their account, they will receive a wristband at the competition. Dancers who have not paid will not get a wristband and will not be allowed to take the floor. As each date gets closer, we will send out more detailed information on each event.

ENTRY FEES

\$42.00 for first routine

\$20.00 for second routine (additional)

\$11.00 for third routine (additional)

\$10.00 for each additional performance (additional)

ENTRY FEES for Rochester Nationals Competition:

\$47.00 for first routine

\$21.00 for second routine (additional)

\$12.00 for third routine (additional)

\$11.00 for each additional performance (additional)

SPECTATORS AT EVENTS

There will be **NO ADMISSION FEES** for spectators at any of the TWD Competitions! At many of the TWDS, they have gone to a no-gate policy. The dancers pay an upfront entry fee. This is something they have gradually started changing over to.

Nationals, Streator, IL, Brandon, SD, Grand Island, NE, have all been that way for several years. All other competition companies orchestrate it this way. Since the COVID pandemic, they have decided to make this change for all of these events. This will eliminate contact with staff at the admission tables.

TWD TEAM COMPETITIONS

Exact schedules of competition days typically come out 1-2 weeks before a competition.

ST CLOUD TECH TWD

at Tech High School

SATURDAY, MARCH 9TH

- Dynamites (K-1st grade)
- Twinkler Kick
- Twinkler Jazz
- Twinkler Ballet/Lyrical
- Twinkler Hip Hop
- Dazzler Kick
- Dazzler Jazz
- Dazzler Ballet/Lyrical
- Dazzler Hip Hop
- Showstopper Kick
- Showstopper Jazz
- Starmaker Jazz
- Starmaker Lyrical
- Starmaker Hip Hop
- Senior Kix

BRAINERD TWD

at Brainerd High School

SATURDAY, MARCH 16TH

- Dynamites (K-1st grade)
- Sparklers
- Starlites
- Shooting Stars
- Rising Stars
- Dream Team
- Elite
- Elite Hip-Hop
- Dream Team Hip-Hop

EDEN PRAIRIE TWD

at Eden Prairie High School

SATURDAY, APRIL 13TH

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| • Twinkler Kick | • Showstopper Kick | • Shooting Stars |
| • Twinkler Jazz | • Showstopper Jazz | • Rising Stars |
| • Twinkler Ballet/Lyrical | • Starmaker Jazz | • Dream Team |
| • Twinkler Hip Hop | • Starmaker Lyrical | • Elite |
| • Dazzler Kick | • Starmaker Hip Hop | • Dream Team Hip-Hop |
| • Dazzler Jazz | • Senior Kix | • Elite Hip-Hop |
| • Dazzler Ballet/Lyrical | • Sparklers | • Elite Select |
| • Dazzler Hip Hop | • Starlites | • Elite Pom |

JUST FOR KIX NATIONALS

IN ROCHESTER, MN. AT THE MAYO CIVIC CENTER

APRIL 24TH-28TH

**ALL JFK TEAMS 2ND-12TH GRADE WILL BE AT
NATIONALS!**

WEDNESDAY APRIL 24

8TH-12TH GRADE SDS COMPETITION

THURSDAY APRIL 25

POM SHOWCASE (7TH-12TH GRADE SPECIAL SESSION POM CLASS)

HIP-HOP SHOWCASE FOR ELITE HIP-HOP

4TH-7TH GRADE SDS (solos/duets)

FRIDAY APRIL 26

SENIOR KIX SHOWCASE

K-3RD GRADE SDS(solos /duets)

SATURDAY APRIL 27

ALL TEAM ROUTINES EXCEPT ELITE HIP-HOP, ELITE POM, & SENIOR KIX

This includes all Twinklers, Dazzlers, Showstoppers, Starmakers!

We suggest reserving a hotel as soon as possible if you have a dancer who has to be in Rochester for more than one day! Some families choose to book a hotel the night before a competition if you did not want to travel on competition day. Schedules for time of day that your dancer is performing do not come out until about 2 weeks prior to the competition. Some make reservations just to be safe. Hotels will also let you drop rooms 24 hours before your reservation.