Jan/Feb 2024 Devils Lake, ND

# JUST FORKIX

Dear Dancers and Parents,

We are so excited to kick off the New Year & are so thankful to have you dancing with us! We are now into the performance & competitive portion of our season. It is fun for the dancers to now have the opportunity to show what they have been working on. One of the things we are working on throughout this season is the ability for dancers to become comfortable in front of a crowd. Please keep in mind that for many dancers, the first performance of a new routine is very tentative. They are concentrating on the order of the routine rather than performing. You may find that we perform the same routine multiple times. This is to take that pressure off the dancers, as once they have mastered the knowledge of the routine & have performed it once, they are able to concentrate more on the performance aspects. You will notice their confidence increase, the technical details of the routine become refined, & the expressions on the dancers' faces transforming them into true performers. Any questions or concerns you have at any time throughout the season are important to us. Class time is very busy so if you are unable to connect with us at class, feel free to contact us at the email address and/or phone number listed below. I hope that this newsletter is helpful. Keep it in a safe place so you are able to refer back to it. Here's to a successful and Happy New Year!



# **NEED TO KNOW**

#### **FAMILY POWER PACKS**

You should be getting a monthly newsletter from the home office support team. It has tips and fun for all ages of dancers and will keep you in the loop. Make sure you watch for it. It will come from cindy@justforkix.com

#### TWD COMPETITIONS

JUST FOR KIX Together We Dance Competitions - This is when all programs come together to compete and celebrate our students' efforts. Our program will compete in the Alexandria (Feb 24-25 \*Senior Teams Only), Crookston (March 2), Wahpeton (March 23-24), Valley City (April 13) and Rochester Nationals (April 25-26 \*Dream Team and Elite Hip Hop only) events this year. The following teams will compete for Devils Lake and we hope that all dancers within each team will take part!

\*Kick teams - Grades 2-12

\*Jazz teams - Grades K-12

\*Hip Hop teams - Grades K-12

\*Pom teams - Grades 2-8

### LIKE THE MAIN HOME OFFICE FACEBOOK FOR NEW UPDATES AND DANCE TIPS

https://www.facebook.com/OFFICIALJUSTFORKIX

#### **CLASS PICTURES**

We will be holding our class photos at the dancers' regular class times on January 29 and 30 at the JFK Studio. We hold picture night on a regular class night as we know your lives are busy and we want all dancers in attendance. Picture envelopes will be distributed at class soon. Picture purchases are optional but we would like all dancers to come dressed in uniform to participate in the group photos (even if they are not ordering photos). Dancers may wear their hair however they would like for photos but should come in complete uniform.

#### **STAY INFORMED**

#### WEBSITE

justforkix.com/danceclasses/devils-lake-nd -Click on "News and Events' for updates (weather cancellations, etc.). Click on "Newsletters" to access monthly newsletters, TuTu Tots newsletters, and the schedule of important events.

#### **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 our Devils Lake 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.

#### **BAND APP**

We need each family to sign up for BAND. This is a two-way communication tool that we will use to send out last-minute updates related to weather, changes in plans, etc. It is so easy to use! Search "Devils Lake Just For Kix" or you can scan our Devils Lake JFK QR code in the studio waiting room. Please sign up!

#### 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 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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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.

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#### DANCE YEAR AT A GLANCE

<u>September</u>

October

November

**December** 

January 1/8 & 1/9 - Classes resume 1/25-2/29 - Monday & Thursday: Friends & Family Show Special Sessions **1/29 & 1/30** - Devils Lake Team & Individual photos

**February** 

2/1-2/2 - Spring: Stretch, Strength & Turns (Thursdays) 2/4 - Grade 7-12 Dream Team practice starts 2/24 & 2/25 - Alexandria TWD Competition (Senior Teams Only)

**March** 

3/2 - Crookston TWD Competition
3/3 - JFK Friends & Family Show
3/4-3/25 - Tumbling Special
Session

**3/14-5/2** - Sunday, Monday & Thursday: Spring Show Special

Sessions

**3/23 & 3/24** - Wahpeton TWD Competition (NO Senior Teams)

**April** 

**4/04-5/02** - Spring: Kick/Leap Technique (Thursdays) **4/13** - Valley City TWD Competition **4/25-4/26** - Rochester Nationals TWD Competition (Dream Team &

Elite Hip Hop Only)

May

**5/4** - JFK Spring Show **5/6 & 5/7** - Last Classes of the season

#### WHAT CLASS AM I IN?

Just For Kix offers an array of dance classes, and it can be difficult to remember the name of your child's class. See below for a list of classes by grade level.

#### **KICK TEAMS:**

Cutie Pies (Mon. evening), Hunny Bunnies (2:30PM Tues.), & Sweetie Pies (Tues. evening) = ages 3-4
Dancing Darlings (ages 4-5)
Wee Petites (grades K-1)
Firecracker Combo (grades K-1)
Wee Kix (grades 2-4)
Mini Kix (grades 5-6)

#### **JAZZ TEAMS:**

Firecracker Combo (grades K-1) Wee Jazz (grades 2-4) Mini Jazz (grades 5-6) Senior Jazz (grades 7-12)

Senior Kix (grades 7-12)

#### **HIP HOP TEAMS:**

Dynamite Hip Hop (grades K-1) Wee Hip Hop (grades 2-3) Mini Hip Hop (grades 4-5) Starmakers Hip Hop (grades 6-12) Elite Hip Hop (grades 7-12)

#### POM TEAMS:

Wee Pom (grades 2-3) Middle Pom (grades 4-8)

#### CANCELLATION

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

#### locations:

- jusforkix.com/danceclasses/devils-lake-nd
- BAND APP
- Mass e-mail (to those who supplied their e-mail address to us)

\*Devils Lake JFK Facebook page

If Devils Lake schools are 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**

**January 29 & 30** - Team & individual photos! (Regular class days & times - at the studio)

#### BASKETBALL GAME HALFTIME PERFORMANCES:

January 14th

LRSC Women's 1:00 PM: Firecracker Combo & Wee Kix **January 26th** 

DLHS JV 5:45 PM: Dynamite Hip Hop & Starmakers Hip Hop DLHS V 7:15 PM: Mini Hip Hop & Senior Kix

February 4th

LRSC Women's 1:00 PM: Cupcake Cuties & K-1 Wee-Petites LRSC Men's 3:00 PM: Hunny Bunnies & Dancing Darlings

February 15th

DLHS JV 5:45: Mini Jazz & Senior Jazz DLHS V 7:15 PM: Mini Kix & Elite Hip Hop

February 18th

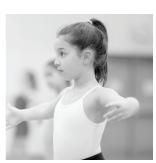
LRSC Women's 1:00 PM: Firecracker Combo & Wee Jazz

TOGETHER WE DANCE COMPETITIONS:

February 24th & 25th: Alexandria TWD Competition (Senior Teams ONLY)







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
31	1 Class Pmt Due	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 Classes Resume	Classes Resume	10	11	12	LET IT SNOW CAMP: 3yr-2nd Grade
14 Performances	15 Classes	16 Classes	17	18	19	20
21	22 Classes	23 Classes	24	WINTER: Wee- Petite & TK S.S.	Performances	27
28	Classes & Photo night	Classes & Photo Night	31	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28	29	30	31	Class pmt due and WINTER: WP & TK S.S.	2	3
Performances & Dream Team Practice Starts	Classes & Teeny Kix S.S.	6 Classes	7	8 WINTER: Wee- Petite & TK S.S.	9	10
11	Classes & Teeny Kix S.S.	13 Classes	14	Performances & WINTER: WP & TK S.S.	16	17
18 Performances	Classes & Teeny Kix S.S.	20 Classes	21	WINTER: Wee- Petite & TK S.S.	23	Alexandria TWD Competi- tion
Alexandria TWD Competition	Classes & Teeny Kix S.S.	27 Classes	28	WINTER: Wee- Petite & TK S.S.	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9

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Be sure to keep an eye on your email for basketball halftime performance details!