

# HASTINGS

JUST FOR



# TWD INFO

# 2023



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**We are notifying you of the event dates now so that you can get them on your calendar. Full team attendance is important. If, for some reason, your dancer cannot attend a written note must be give to the director by November 15, 2023 Please know that if your dancer is unable to attend - formation changes will have to be made and your dancer may be asked to practice out of formation in the weeks prior, while the team prepares for the event.**

**Teams competing consist of dancers in Just For Kix programs from all over the region. These competitive events have proved to be the highlight of the year for many teams. Please keep in mind the goal of these events is to provide our dancers with an opportunity to perform in front of a large crowd and share their talents with more people than just those in their community. It also gives our dancers an opportunity to meet other dancers involved in Just For Kix from a number of different communities and we all get the chance to cheer for one another.**

**It is a competition and teams will be awarded places, depending on the size of the category. Categories are determined by the JFK Home Office based on average age and size of the entire team. Every team cannot be in first place. We hope that everyone goes in with the attitude that “Doing your best is more important than being the best!” Sportsmanship must be a priority. We feel that the exposure to other groups will instill a harder work ethic and give dancers something to strive for. This will be a great opportunity for our dancers, I hope you make every effort to participate.**

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**Just For Kix dance programs are based on learning as a team. One of the most anticipated events of the year is the annual competitive performance called TOGETHER WE DANCE.**

**Bringing together Just For Kix dancers allows for performer growth and provides a stage where each Program can showcase their hard work and talents. Celebrating all Just For Kix teams in a large-scale performance venue provide a quality performance for the performer and audience alike!**

# ABOUT JWD



## **COST**

There is a competition entry fee **PER DANCER, PER ROUTINE, PER EVENT** The fees are as follows for each competition:

### **Dancer Entry Fee Cost (Regional TWD)**

1st Routine \$42.00

2 Routines \$62.00

3 Routines \$73.00

Each Additional Routine + \$10.00

### **Dancer Entry Fee Cost (Nationals TWD)**

\$47.00 for 1st Routine

\$21.00 for 2nd Routine

\$12.00 for 3rd Routine

\$11.00 for each additional routine

### **Dancer Entry Fee Cost (SDS)**

#### **\*SDS Dancers need to register themselves in January**

\$100.00 for each SOLO entrant - 1 dancer total

\$55 for each DUET entrant - 2 dancers total (they each need to register)

\$40.00 for each TRIO entrant - 3 dancers (they all need to register)

\$30.00 for each SMALL GROUP entrant - 4-8 dancers (they all need to register)

These fees are to cover facility rental, custodians, judges, etc.

There is NO ADMISSION for SPECTATORS

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## **PAYMENTS**

TWD Fees will be billed into your account for each competition. These fees need to be paid manually even if you have AutoPay selected for your class payments. You will receive an email of a balance due and you'll be able to pay these fees in the "Make A Payment" section.

**TWD fee payments are due no later than one week prior to each competition day.**

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# WHERE ARE WE HEADED?

Bloomington,  
MN

March 2nd or 3rd

Bloomington Kennedy HS  
9701 Nicollet Ave,  
Bloomington, MN 55420

Teams Competitng:

Wee Combo\*  
Wee Pom  
Wee Hip Hop  
Boys Hip Hop  
Mini Combo\*  
Mini Pom/Hip Hop\*  
Mini Lyrical  
Middle Kix  
Middle Jazz  
Middle Pom  
Dynamite Hip Hop  
Junior Lyrical  
Explosion Hip Hop  
Senior Kix  
Senior Jazz  
Senior Pom

Decorah, IA

March 23rd or 24th

Luther College  
700 College Dr,  
Decorah, IA 52101

Teams Competitng:

Middle Kix  
Middle Jazz  
Middle Pom  
Dynamite Hip Hop  
Junior Lyrical  
Explosion Hip Hop  
Senior Kix  
Senior Jazz  
Senior Pom

Eden Prairie,  
MN

April 13th or 14th

Eden Prairie HS  
17185 Valley View Rd,  
Eden Prairie, MN 55346

Teams Competitng:

Monday Firecrackers  
Wednesday Firecrackers  
Wee Combo\*  
Wee Pom  
Wee Hip Hop  
Boys Hip Hop  
Mini Combo\*  
Mini Pom/Hip Hop\*  
Mini Lyrical  
Middle Kix  
Middle Jazz  
Middle Pom  
Dynamite Hip Hop  
Junior Lyrical  
Explosion Hip Hop  
Senior Kix  
Senior Jazz  
Senior Pom

Nationals  
Rochester,  
MN

April  
24th-  
28th

- SDS Dancers - April 24th or 25th
- Senior Pom - April 25th - Pom Showcase
- Explosion Hip Hop - April 26th - Hip Hop Showcase
- Senior Kix - April 26th - Kick Showcase
- Qualifying 2nd-12th grade Teams (achieving 175 points or more at a Regional TWD) will compete one day April 27th or 28th. **Team who receive 175 points or more at any Reagional Competition above will be enter into Nationals!**



# ABOUT SDS

## Who can participate?

Any current Just For Kix Dancers in 2nd-12th Grade.

## What is the process like?

First, you will sign up for a Solo, Duet, or Small Group Choreography Package from the website. A coach will reach out to you and your dancer about what style and songs you're thinking about and then go ahead with scheduling time to choreograph. We will then assess skills, choose and cut a song, and start choreography. Often, we prefer when dancers are active in this process so that they LOVE their routine. Deadline to purchase a Choreography Package is December 31st, however we encourage getting choreography done sooner than later for the benefit of the dancer. Private or Semi-Private lessons are strongly encouraged for any dancer looking to compete. Typically, dancers do 1hr/month leading into competition season. Solos, Duets, and Small groups are most successful when dancers practice on their own and come ready to learn for private lessons.

[Solo Choreography Package](#)

[Duet Choreography Package](#)

[Small Group Choreography Package](#)



## What are the performance and competition opportunities?

We try to start dancers off on the right foot by performing in shows before they compete. This way they get the confidence to perform on stage in front of an audience. We have our February Show and Stage Show (April) available for SDS dancers to perform. Competition season starts in March. It is up to the dance family to compete or not compete however we do recommend this as it is a chance for dancers to grow and build confidence! Dancers may compete in as many or as few competitions as they want. Dates for SDS competitions will be sent out at a later time when they are confirmed with the facilities. Prices for SDS registration are as follows, Solo- \$100, Duet- \$55/dancer, Trio- \$40/dancer, Small Group- \$30/dancer. These prices are significantly lower than a typical dance studio competition! Registration for these events open soon and we encourage doing this early as they fill up.

## Are competitions leveled?

Yes! Dancers will be competing against dancers in the same age and skill categories. Each age category is leveled by division (Classic, Select, Elite). Most of our Hastings JFK dancers will perform in Classic or Select depending on hours in dance per week.

## Interested or have questions?

Just shoot us a message. We are happy to help place dancers into duets/trios/small groups as needed if you don't have anyone in mind.

# HOW TO BE PREPARED

## Be Organized!

- Double check your dancer's items at least a week before your competitions
- Review maps sent and information and know where you are going
- Dancers should arrive ready to go and ON TIME – hair done, makeup done, full uniform on
- Any dancer 15 minutes or more late may be removed from formations and not be allowed to compete.
- Communicate with your Coach

## Be familiar with your dancer's schedule – what uniform and when? All important schedule times

- Costume changes: bring a laundry basket for uniforms and use Tupperware for all hair and jewelry things and all makeup things.
- Be quick! Practice any quick changes your dancer may have. Costume changes in under 4 minutes!

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# WHAT TO BRING

- ☐ All pieces of your uniforms and dance shoes
- ☐ Hair pieces and earrings
- ☐ LOTS of bobby pins, hair pins, hair ties
- ☐ Hair net (3 pk from Walgreens), gel, hairspray
- ☐ Safety Pins
- ☐ Band-aids
- ☐ Makeup and red lipstick
- ☐ Spending money

