Just For Kix of White Bear Lake Facility Information for 2016-2017 Dance Season

If you are new to Just For Kix, you are probably wondering why we don't own and operate our own studio. Just For Kix is considered to be a "mobile" dance program - we can teach anywhere with just about anyone as long as we have access to our music and a good-sized space to utilize. We rent space in existing facilities and pass those savings on to our dancer families. By using space that already exists, we are making less of an imprint on the environment by not using more electricity, water or other services typically used by a stand-alone business. We'd rather help the facilities where we hold classes with their expenses than create our own. We typically hold classes in large rooms, like a cafeteria, or possibly a gymnasium. In our current location, we hold classes in the Fellowship Hall and Choir/Music Rooms. We can make great use of almost any space.

This year, we are moving most of our classes to Level Up Academy, a charter school in White Bear Lake. This will become our THIRD facility - we are growing and expanding, which is wonderful! We will also utilize Redeemer Lutheran Church and the White Bear Lake Armory for a small amount of classes at each location - you can look at our class schedule to see which classes are where. It's available on our website under "Resources" at https://www.justforkix.com/danceclasses/white-bear-lake-mn/.

These are our three most frequently asked questions about classes:

Do I need to bring my child into class and/or pick him/her up?

For safety reasons, we feel that, for all children in 3rd grade or younger, a parent or adult representative should escort the dancer into and out of the building. Any dancer older than that can be dropped off and picked up, but please use your discretion on that and feel free to escort your dancer in and out of the building for as long as you'd like. If you are dropping off and picking up, be sure your dancer knows which door/parking lot you will use for this.

Can I watch dance class?

Just For Kix has a "no distraction" environment, and this is a Just For Kix corporate policy. We feel that this keeps the dancers more focused. This rule means that we don't allow parents in the room during class time EXCEPT for the last five minutes. Parents are ALWAYS welcome to come in and watch the last five minutes of class - you do not need to wait for an invitation.

Parents are always welcome to watch class, though, through windows or open doors, if possible. We are not trying to keep anything from you, but trying to keep your dancer focused. More details on this are below.

Can I videotape class?

We encourage you or your dancer to bring a phone or other recording device to tape a runthrough of their routine, or parts of it, toward the end of class. Just come on in and tape whenever you want to - we'd prefer if you didn't record the entire class, though.

Because of changing music use laws, Just For Kix staff is NO LONGER ALLOWED to record and post any videos with any music. We can record their routines with counts (often called a "walk through") and

post those, however. If your dancer wants to practice with the music we use for their routines at class, either the dancer or the dancer's parent must videotape the routine.

Here is information about each facility we use for Just For Kix dance classes:

<u>Level Up Academy</u> 2600 East County Road E, White Bear Lake

<u>Parking</u>

A small lot is available in the front of the building, and there is a larger lot in the back of the building. Please enter the parking lot from Rolling View Dr (not from Cty Rd E) and then drive to the front or back lot. Please use the door that is closest to your dancer's classroom. Dancers having a class in the Auditorium should use the back door.

Do I need to bring my child into class or come in to pick him/her up?

If your dancer is in preschool or in grades K-3, we do highly recommend that you come in to drop your child off and pick up your child. For 3rd graders, though, once they become familiar with where their class(es) and the restrooms are, as well as which door you will pick them up from, they can come and go on their own. Please remind them, though, to not exit the building at all until they clearly see you.

Waiting Area

We will have a small room where parents can wait, and parents can also grab a chair and wait in the hallways. This facility is still new to us, so more information will be added as we begin using the building. No matter where you and any siblings wait, though, please CLEAN UP after yourselves. Just For Kix staff is tasked with any cleaning, so please help us out by cleaning up any area(s) you may use to wait.

Can I watch dance class?

Again, Just For Kix has a "no distraction" environment. However, parents are welcome to find a place to watch quietly outside the room if they'd like to. We just want to make sure dancers are not looking out of the room more than they are looking inside of it. Again, even if the doors are closed, you are welcome to come inside for the last five minutes of class.

White Bear Lake Armory 2228 4th Street, White Bear Lake

<u>Parking</u>

Street parking is available and there is a small lot in the back of the building. We are responsible for unlocking and locking the building, so we will only unlock the front door (facing 4th Street) for safety reasons. If you park in the back parking lot or on the street somewhere behind the building, please walk around and use the front door.

Do I need to bring my child into class or come in to pick him/her up?

At the Armory, you do not. This is only because most of the kids taking a class there are older. However, if your dancer is in 3rd grade and in this class, please feel free to come in as they enter and exit.

Waiting Area

There is very little space for waiting at this facility. Please do not wait in the gym itself. There is a small area outside of the gym where you can wait. Please stay in the gym area and don't let siblings wander the building.

Redeemer Lutheran Church 3770 Bellaire Avenue, White Bear Lake

Parking

Redeemer has three convenient parking lots - a smaller one in the front of the building on the west side, and two in the back that are connected by stairs on the east side of the building. Feel free to park in any of these three lots.

Waiting Area

The church asks that you wait for your dancer in the hallways or waiting area, but not in the Atrium.

PLEASE PICK UP after yourself, your children or anyone you are with when you are done waiting. Go the extra mile and pick up after others if they don't do it themselves.

There is NO RUNNING AROUND during our class times. Elderly people often use the church and a young child running around could cause injuries to both the child and the adult. Please keep your children who are not in class with you and make sure they are behaving well.

The church does offer FREE wifi. Choose "Atrium" - the password is 10 small a's.

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Again, Just For Kix has a "no distraction" environment. However, in the Fellowship Hall, there are windows you can view them from in the long hallway on the west side of the building. If you feel you are distracting them, though, please move away and return later.

If you have any questions about our facilities, please contact our Program Director at 651-653-8539 or whitebearlake_mn@justforkix.com, or our Home Office at 218-829-7107 or dance@justforkix.com.