

Just For Kix of White Bear Lake
Performance and Competition Information for 2016-2017 Dance Season

Performance Dates

We have several performance dates TENTATIVELY scheduled. Most classes will perform 3-6 times, with competition groups performing in at least 3 shows and 3 competitions. Our tap groups will perform at least twice. We use White Bear Lake School District facilities, so we must wait for confirmation of our requests until after all other school activities are scheduled. We usually do get the dates we want, but we have had to reschedule a handful of times in the last 17 years, so your flexibility is appreciated!

Note: all listings below for "Groups Performing" are subject to change, if necessary.

- **December 3 @ 10:30 AM - Winter Show in gym at WBL HS South Campus**
 - Our first show of the year! Watch how much your dancer has accomplished in three short months of class.
 - Typically, these classes perform: All Tiny Kix, Wee Petites, Wee Kix, Mini Kix, Junior Kix, Senior Kix, Junior Hip Hop, Senior Hip Hop
 - These classes may perform, if instructor feels they are ready: Junior Lyrical, Senior Lyrical

- **December 16 - Holiday Stage Show**
 - This is a fundraising performance show for the White Bear Lake High School Dance Team. Your donation at the door goes directly to the team!
 - These classes typically perform at the holiday show: All Tiny Kix, Wee Petites, Wee Kix, all tap groups, Junior Hip Hop and Senior Hip Hop
 - These classes may perform: Junior Lyrical, Senior Lyrical

- **February 19 - Metro Show in gym at WBL HS South Campus**
 - Just For Kix dance teams from around the metro area come to this show to perform.
 - White Bear Lake groups performing:
 - Tiny Kix Monday, Tiny Kix Tuesday AM, Wee Petites, Wee Kix, Mini Kix, Junior Kix, Senior Kix, Junior Hip Hop, Senior Hip Hop, Junior Lyrical, Senior Lyrical, Mini Jazz, Shining Stars Jazz, Rising Stars Jazz

- **April 29 - Spring Stage Show at Central Theater**
 - This is a fundraising performance show for the White Bear Lake High School Varsity Cheerleaders. Your donation at the door goes directly to the team!
 - Groups performing:

- Tiny Kix Monday, Tiny Kix Tuesday PM (tap shoes only), Wee Petites, Wee Kix, Junior Hip Hop, Senior Hip Hop, Mini Jazz, Shining Stars Jazz, Rising Stars Jazz, Fairies Ballet, Daisies Ballet, Lilies Ballet, Roses Ballet, Junior Lyrical, Senior Lyrical
- **May 6** - Spring Show at 10:30 AM in gym at WBL HS North Campus
 - Our final show of the year!
 - This show should last about 90 minutes
 - Groups performing:
 - Tiny Kix Monday, Tiny Kix Tuesday PM (ballet shoes only), Wee Petites, Wee Kix, Junior Hip Hop, Senior Hip Hop, Mini Jazz, Shining Stars Jazz, Rising Stars Jazz, Fairies Ballet, Daisies Ballet, Lilies Ballet, Roses Ballet, Junior Lyrical, Senior Lyrical, Mini Kix, Junior Kix, Senior Kix

When the dates are confirmed, I will send an email out to all registered dancers that are performing.

Dancers should come dressed and ready to perform. They should NOT wear their dance shoes outside at all.

- Dancers should arrive in their uniform with clothing to cover it. The clothing should be easily removed (tops with zippers or buttons, baggy pants or shorts).
- Dancers should arrive with their hair pulled back into the particular style needed for their class (many classes wear it the same so the dancer doesn't have to change it). If your dancer requires a bun, visit our YouTube channel (search for Just For Kix White Bear) and watch the bun tutorial video.
- If your dancer is in more than one class, we will inform you of the show order ahead of time so you know which uniform your dancer should wear first.
- Dancers should bring their shoes in their dance bag (or a special performance bag).
- Make-up is optional, but recommended, even for boys:
 - Young dancers (preschool-3rd grade) should wear a little color on their cheeks, eyes and lips (boys don't need to wear anything on their eyes unless a parent wants them to).
 - Older dancers (4th-8th grade) should wear more color and define their features; our oldest dancers (9th-12th grade) should wear full performance make-up
 - Makeup should look natural from a distance, but will look heavier up close
 - Eyeliner is a great way to define the eyes - be sure to go all the way around the eye, but on the outside of the lash line
 - Choose a flattering color for the cheeks that goes with the uniform(s) your dancer will wear
 - For lips:
 - Senior Kix, Rising Stars and Starmakers should order the make-up kit that is listed with their uniforms online to their make-up matches:

- Senior Kix and Starmakers - Yofi "Foxy" kit
- Rising Stars - Yofi "Frenchy Pink" kit
- For all other dancers competing, a Lip Stain is better because it will last all day; note that it is difficult to take off after the competition, but it will wear off eventually
 - Choose a darker pinky-purplish color that is flattering on the dancer and goes with the uniform (the color doesn't have to match, but it should be in the same "shade" group - red shades typically have a blue or orange undertone, so pick the one that matches best to your dancer's uniform)
 - Select a gloss to go over the top that can be reapplied to add shine to your dancer's smile
- Things like foundation and such is completely up to the dancer and her parents - we are going for a natural look
- Our oldest dance teams (Senior Kix, Rising Stars) can elect to wear fake lashes - if so, ALL members must wear them

Competition Dates

Just For Kix Together We Dance competitions are for dancers in 4th-12th grade (except for ballet and tap, which do not compete) and any 3rd graders enrolled in Junior Hip Hop. Our dancers will compete in Just For Kix sanctioned competitions ONLY and they will compete only against other Just For Kix groups from other cities and/or states that are of the same age and relative group size. All of Just For Kix competitions are fair and fun! Dancers are not judged on costumes or choreography, but on execution, energy and technique - they are judged on HOW they are doing what they are doing. Competitions are not mandatory, but are highly recommended.

Competition fees are typically \$10 per dancer for their first routine. If they are competing in more than one routine/group, the fee for the second one is typically \$8 and the third is \$6. These fees are subject to change.

These teams are eligible to compete: Mini Kix, Mini Jazz, Mini Hip Hop, Junior Lyrical, Junior Kix, Shining Stars, Junior Hip Hop, Senior Kix, Starmakers, Senior Hip Hop and Senior Lyrical.

We did three competitions last year, and did quite well at all of them. We may do three again this year, and some of our groups may do more (our oldest groups are asking to travel more, so they may travel further to attend more competitions).

Here are the tentative dates:

- **February 25 & 26, 2017**
 - Eastview High School in Apple Valley

- *We usually request to be just on Saturday, but it gets to be crazy for some of our dancers in multiple classes, so we will request either Saturday or Sunday competition times.*
- *The solo/small group competition will be held on Sunday*
 - *Any dancer wanting to compete with a solo or small group can do so. There are some age restrictions. If your dancer is interested, please contact the Program Director for more information.*
- **March 12, 2017**
 - Apple Valley High School in Apple Valley
 - *This competition is the Sunday at the start of White Bear Lake's spring break. We may NOT go to this competition because of that. We did attend this one last year. Feel free to send Laurisa your feedback on this - are you traveling? Could your dancer attend?*
- **April 6, 7, 8 & 9, 2017**
 - Rochester Community Technical College in Rochester
 - *WBL schools are off on Friday, April 7. We will request that we have NO classes competing on Thursday the 6th.*
 - *Think of this as your dancer's "away" sports tournament!*

Older dancers (7-12th grade) have expressed interest in traveling to competitions that are further away to compete against teams they don't normally see each year. The Together We Dance competition in Brainerd would be an option. We will discuss this at class - if we do go, the dates are Saturday & Sunday, March 25 & 26th in Brainerd, MN. Teams competing would probably be Senior Kix, Starmakers, Rising Stars, Senior Lyrical and Senior Hip Hop.

If your dancer CANNOT attend a competition, please let me know as soon as possible. We want your dancer to attend his/her classes even if s/he cannot compete.

Competitions

Dancers should come dressed and ready to compete. They should NOT wear their dance shoes outside at all.

- Dancers should arrive in their uniform with clothing to cover it. The clothing should be easily removed.
 - If your dancer would prefer to travel in regular clothes, that is fine, but s/he MUST arrive at least 30 minutes earlier than the arrival time given to allow for changing and doing hair.
- Dancers should arrive with their hair pulled back into the particular style needed for their class (many classes wear it the same so the dancer doesn't have to change it). If your dancer requires a bun, visit our YouTube channel (search for Just For Kix White Bear) and watch the bun tutorial video.

- Again, if your dancer prefers to travel without his/her hair done, s/he must arrive 30 minutes earlier than our assigned arrival time to accommodate this.
- If your dancer is in more than one class, we will inform you of the competition order ahead of time so you know which uniform your dancer should wear first.
- Dancers should bring their shoes in their dance bag (or a special performance bag), and any other uniforms in a garment bag.

We are FORTUNATE to have the opportunity to compete in Just For Kix competitions. ALL DANCERS should portray excellent sportsmanship throughout the entire day, with no negative comments during any events. While we are there, your dancer is representing the White Bear Lake Just For Kix Dance Program, and s/he should behave as such. Any dancer with poor sportsmanship will be asked to leave.

If you have any questions about performances or competitions, 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.