

Dear Parents,

I am so excited you have joined me in letting your child dance with Just For Kix. I hope you had a great summer. Below is vital information needed for a successful dance season. Please take time to read it all.

Arrival:

Please arrive five minutes before your class time.

Enter through door 38 into the gym.

Please have a seat along the south wall on or near the carpet

Expectations: (Please review with your dancer prior to first day of class)

-Dancers are expected to come in and sit down along the south wall on or near the carpet.

- Please come in 5 minutes prior to class starting.

This is a suitable time to use the restroom, as I will not dismiss bathroom breaks once class starts. Please use the restroom near the office. Help dancers to restroom if needed.

-Water bottles are welcome as we will have drink breaks.

-Dancers are to try their hardest at each practice- If a dancer feels they need to sit out during class, I ask that parents ok it with me first.

-Remind dancers that dance is a time to learn, and although we can have fun in class, it is not a time to run around with friends.

-Stay off the rock-climbing wall or behind the mats, stay off the stairs. If the mats are on the floor we need to make sure we stay off them. This is to ensure no injuries happen.

-Have Fun!

-We are a team- I will not tolerate bullying! If bullying is becoming present, I will be reaching out to parents.

-I reach out to parents if dancers struggle during class for the night. I always want what is best for the dancer.

- I have implanted a fiver finger rule as well. Please see the attached sheet that describes this.

- If the rules and expectations of the class can not be followed by the dancer, I will be reaching out to have a conversation with the parents. If rules continue to be broken- dancers may be removed from dance class, the decision of this will be up to the Directors discretion.

- Teeny Class and Tiny Class- except running around a little bit, I have no problem if the dancer is running around a smidge and can regroup after a few minutes. If they cannot I will ask that you come help them back on the dance floor, please walk up to them and talk. Do Not shout across the room.

- Practices are closed unless you are in the Teeny Kix class (4:00-4:30 pm) Parents are welcome to sit quietly in this class only as it is such a young class, Parents are also asked to help their child in this class if they are struggling to stay focused. If I have to, I will ask parents in older classes to sit in class, if the child is being disruptive.

Class Time:

We use class time wisely. Class times, include but not limited to-

Attendance

Warm ups

Stretching

Strength and conditioning

Across the floors

Learning 2-3 routines

Dance-Brain breaks

Learning dance skills

Water breaks

Dismissal:

I will dismiss all classes five minutes before class is over. This allows me time to pass out anything needed to pass out.

Parents must come inside the gym to pick up child, this is for safety of the children.

Dance Class Attire:

- Athletic wear
- Hair must be pulled up at EVERY practice.
- Tennis shoes or Dance shoes

Dancers who do not wear appropriate dance attire to class will sit out during class. And a discussion with parents will be had after class.

Weather:

If the Forest City School District- Lets out early or has no school due to the weather- Class will automatically be canceled for the night. Please always know if YOU do not feel comfortable driving to class due to weather, I respect your decision. I try to do what is best for everyone, but sometimes these things are hard choices to make. If we have an extra performance scheduled and weather or temperatures are debatable, the Director will let everyone know by 2:00 PM.

Communication:

I will be doing various forms of communication, you will receive emails, group texts (which you will be able to respond back to), BAND app, newsletters, Facebook post. All newsletters, and other important things will be posted on our Just For Kix website as well.

Payments:

Payments are due on the 1st of every month. If you have automatic payment selected this will be pulled automatically. If you are not on automatic payments, you will receive a text from me on the 26th of every month to remind you of your upcoming payments, the 1st to remind you of your payment, 2nd if you have not paid, and every other day after the 2nd. Just For Kix adds a \$10 late fee on the 10th of every month if not paid before then. Dancers will not be able to participate in class or shows if payments have not been paid the first Monday after the 1st. If Late fees have been added to your account, and you have failed to let me know your plan on how you plan to take care of this I will be dropping dancers, on the 15th of every month, if I have seen no communication or efforts stating you need more time.

Uniforms:

We will use one uniform for the dance season. Please make sure you ask me for help with sizing and size up. Uniforms and shoes run small. If something does not fit, I will send it back and get it fixed on my end for you.

Shows:

Our major shows, winter and spring will hopefully be at Waldorf this year. I have heard back from them on confirmation of the Winter Show, I am still waiting to hear back on our Spring Show. If we can not use this facility for our spring show we will try to use Garner High School. Tickets can be purchased at the doors, CASH ONLY. Pricing for tickets will be announced closer to the show. We may add presale tickets, I will let you know if this option is available.

Extra Performances: (Dates unknown yet in the works)

Tiny Kix class (4:40 pm-5:10 pm)- Performance at nursing home

Wee Petite class (5:15 pm-6:00 pm)- Halftime performance at Waldorf Basketball game

Wee Kix class (6:00-7:00pm) - Competition

Competition-

Dancers in 2nd grade and above will be heading as a team to at least one competition, with the intent and enough interest to do at least two competitions, we will see as this is our first year competing. Please do not let competition scare you, as this is supposed to be something fun. We will be performing our kick routine first, and we will table our lyrical performance. Competition fees last year was \$42 per dancer for one routine, per event. If we added a second routine it is an additional \$20 per dancer per event. Prices may change once we get to registration for the competition, but you will always be aware once I know the exact prices. Extra fees for competition- will be based on how far we go to compete, some might want to book a hotel. Everything extra gas, hotel, food is all extra for you and your family. You will NOT need to pay for my extras as I will be paying my own. There will be no extra practices for this as we can accomplish everything in classes, the only extra practices we have will be the extra ones I prebook, for snow or just extra.

Special Sessions: I will be having a variety of different special sessions: Including boys hip hop/ girls hip hop, pom, Mom and me, and possibly Adult. I encourage all my dancers to register for ones that they want to try. Special sessions are never required, they are extra and fun classes to expand their dancing.

Attendance:

Attendance is important in dance. We cannot be an efficient team if we are missing members from our team. Please let me know if your dancer will be missing practice due to an illness or something else. You can text me at 641-426-6999.

How to get ahold of me-

641-426-6999- personal phone number can call or text anytime inside office hours: (if messaged outside these hours they will not be answered until the next day.

641-200-1072- Group texts- Can message this number anytime. Will receive text notifications from this number frequently.

Forestcity_ia@justforkix.com- email

I look forward to a fantastic year! If you ever have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me anytime.

~McKayla