Sep/Oct 2023 South Fargo

# JUST FOR KIX

Dear Dancers and Parents, Welcome back to all our veteran dancers and a special welcome to all new dancers and parents. We are excited to be kicking off our 29th season of JFK in South Fargo! At Just For Kix we pride ourselves on treating your kids as we would like ours to be treated, with respect. I also pride myself on being approachable, so please bring any concerns to my immediate attention. We want your experience to be a GREAT one! -Miss Carly



## **NEED TO KNOW**

### **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.

#### **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.

### **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.

### **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.

### **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.

### **Power Pack**

Watch for emails from the Home Office packed with skills videos, tips, motivational quotes, sale items in the catalog and much more!

### 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**

**Director:** Carly Hager

JFK Office Phone: 701-232-1866

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### Website/Registration:

www.justforkix.com/danceclasses/south-fargo-nd

Follow us on Facebook & Instagram!



Thank you to all of our dance families for the support and trust you've put in us for over 40 years!

### **STAY INFORMED**

### **WEBSITE**

justforkix.com/danceclasses/south-fargo-nd This website is a tool used for registration, ordering costumes and shoes, list unexpected changes such as cancellations due to weather, make up class dates, performance details and/or corrections to the newsletter.

**BIMONTHLY NEWSLETTER** Every 2 months I will e-mail this newsletter in PDF version and post on our website. These newsletters will have important dates and information for upcoming events. Make sure to mark your calendars EARLY!

**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. Log into your account to make sure your email is updated. A second email can be entered into your dancer's account as well.

**TEAM BAND APP** We will again be using the BAND APP this season as it has been a wonderful tool for dancers and instructors. If live-streaming classes would be necessary this season, all live-streams will be posted on the team Band. We will post videos of choreography and music on the Bands for dancers to use at home to practice. All updates, reminders and weekly announcements will also be posted on the app. A separate email will be sent for each class with their log in link to the team. Last season's groups will not be valid after September 1st.



### **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. 8:00am - 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.

### POTENTIAL ADDITIONAL COSTS

Here is a glance at additional costs that may be incurred throughout the season:

- Performance admission
- Just For Kix TWD Competition fees and admission
- Show admission
- Prop fees
- Pictures
- Special Session fees
- Show shirts
- Custom program clothing

# 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



# THE JUST FOR KIX DANCE SEASON

Our dance session is broken down into two parts:

### September - December

The primary focus of the first few months of class is preparing the dancers for their season. Dancers will work on new technique, skills, strengthening, stretching and choreography. We use this time to lay a strong foundation for the season. Performances at this time of year are minimal and typically do not use the class uniform.

### **December - April**

The uniforms are in and the dancers are ready to start performing. This is the time of the season where dancers get a chance to perform their routines while continuing to build on their technique and skills. The majority of our performances for the season will fall during these months. It is fun to see how students grow as dancers and performers during this part of the season. Older classes may also compete at Just For Kix competitions.

# WHAT TO EXPECT FROM JUST FOR KIX

- There are, on average, 32 classes in the season. Some programs do go to 36 classes.
- Depending on the location, classes will run for either 8 or 9 months.
- Classes billing Sept-April will get 32 or more classes. Classes billing Sept-May will get 36 classes per season.

### 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.

### **CURRICULUM**

Our goal throughout our dance program is two-fold:

- To teach dancers proper technique, and to develop the strength and flexibility to perform these skills.
- 2. To introduce choreography and to work on movement and performing. Younger classes will be more choreography-based and will learn 3-4 dances per season. Older dancers will have more emphasis on flexibility, strength, skill work and performance. They will generally learn 1-2 routines per season.

# TuTu Tots

### **ACADEMY**

We created a revolutionary curriculum that will give your preschoolers the ultimate fun time while learning the basics in dance.

Using colorful and fun learning tools, the class will let your dancers discover

the joy and passion for dance. Our curriculum is designed specifically for preschoolers based on their learning abilities. You will see growth in the areas of communication/expression, cooperation, self-control and self-esteem.



### DANCE YEAR AT A GLANCE

August

8/14: North Fargo Open House 8/15: South Fargo Open House 8/28: SF Monday Classes Begin 8/29: SF Tuesday Classes Begin 8/31: SF Thursday Classes Begin

September

9/4: Labor Day, No Classes 9/5: North Fargo Classes Begin 9/24: Sunday Classes Begin 9/30: Costume Order Deadline

October

10/1: Bowl Game Fundraising

Meeting

10/22: Halloween Recital 10/24-30: Halloween Costumes

10/31: No Class on Halloween

November

11/16-21st: PJ Week at Classes

11/18: Fall Mini Camp

11/23: Thanksgiving, No Class

December

12/11-14th: In Class Dress

Rehearsals

12/22-1/1: Holiday Break

January

1/2: Classes Resume

1/5: Monday Make-up Class 1/6-7: Winter Show Weekend

1/27: Potential TWD for 6th-12th

grade in St. Cloud area

1/29-2/1: In Class Pictures - Pom and Senior HH sessions

February

2/1: In Class Pictures 2/12-15: NF Pictures

- Special sessions will begin

- Potential younger dancer recitals

March

3/10-16: Spring Break

- TWDs TBD

April

- TWDs TBD

4/25-27: No Classes 4/24-28: Nationals TWD 1av

5/4-5: Spring Show Weekend 5/6-9: Final Classes of the Season 5/13-16: Audition Prep Clinic 5/18: Mini Camp and Auditions

June

- June Acro Session

### 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. I've listed the grade by the class name for your convenience.

Teeny Kix age 3 Tiny Kix ages 4-5 Wee Petites K &1st Firecrackers K & 1st Petite Tumbling age

Petite Tumbling age 4-2nd grade Wee Kix 2nd & 3rd

Mini Kix 4th & 5th

Mini Jazz/Lyrical 2nd-5th Mini Hip Hop 2nd-5th

Mini Pom 2nd-6th

Junior Kix 6th-7th

Junior Pom 7th-12th

Junior Hip Hop 6th-12th Junior Jazz/Lyrical 6th-12th

Acro dance classes are by level completed

### **CANCELLATION**

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

- jusforkix.com/danceclasses/south-fargo-nd
- BAND app
- Mass e-mail to emails in your dancer's account
- our Facebook and Instagram pages
- If school is cancelled or let out early for weather emergencies, we will not have class in-person.

Any classes that are cancelled will be rescheduled for a later date, unless pre-planned make-up classes have already been scheduled or if they are done virtually.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Registration is open now for our upcoming mini camps for ages 4-3rd grade as well as our Acro dance and petite tumbling classes starting 9/24! Our half season Wee Jazz/Lyrical class also begins on Sunday 9/24! This class is open to any current st-3rd grade dancer wanting to explore the styles of jazz and lyrical. At this time, this will not be a competition level class.

Our Halloween Recital is set for Sunday, 10/22 at Shanley High School for all our younger dancers. Some Mini level classes will participate. Stay tuned for more details!

Our Winter Shows (1/6-7/24) and Spring Shows (5/4-5/23) have dates set in the Year at a Glance Calendar. Dress Rehearsals and specific show information will be sent out approximately 1 month prior to each show.

For our competition teams, Together We Dance (TWD) dates are starting to be confirmed and I will update the Year At A Glance calendar as soon as they are set!







For 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.



# SEP

2023

Is your dancer on the BAND app? If not, make sure to get setup with the emailed links or request a new one so you get announcements, practice videos, photos and class reminders.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27	First Night of Monday Classes	First Night of Tuesday Classes	30	First Night of Thursday Classes	1	2
3	4 Happy Labor Day, No Clas- ses	5 Class Night	6	7 Class Night	8	9
10	11 Class Night	12 Class Night	13	14 Class Night	15	16
17	18 Class Night	19 Class Night	20	21 Class Night	22	23
Sunday Sessions Begin	25 Class Night	26 Class Night	27	28 Class Night	29	Costume Orders are Due
1 Class Night - Tuition Due- Bowl Game	2 Class Night	3 Class Night	4	5 Class Night	6	7

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8 Class Night	9 Class Night	10 Class Night	11	12 Class Night	13	14
15 Class Night	16 Class Night	17 Class Night	18	19 Class Night	20	21
Halloween Recitals - Class Night	23 Class Night	Class Night	25	26 Class Night	27	22
29 Class Night	30 Class Night	No Classes, Happy Hallow- een	1	2 Class Night	3	4

# OCT

2023

Halloween Recitals for all 3rd grade and under classes will be held on Sunday, 10/22 at Shanley High School. Mini level teams may participate based on class readiness and coaching choice. Stay tuned for more times and details!

We are very blessed to have amazing instructors at our studio. If you need to reach your head instructor, you can do so via the band app. Check out our Facebook, website and Instagram pages for our staff spotlights for the upcoming season. My office hours are currently 9:00 am-1:30 pm Monday-Friday. I do my best to be available during these times. Weekend correspondence will be responded to on Monday during office hours. Customer Service is very important to me and I appreciate your input, help and understanding. Email is always the best way to contact me! - Miss Carly