

JUST FOR KIX DANCE BRIEF

Dear Dancers & Parents,

Welcome back veterans and a special welcome to all new dancers and parents!

The staff and I are beyond excited to begin this season and I'm especially looking forward to getting to know you and your dancers even better! Just For Kix's annual Director's Convention was held in August and we took away so many new ideas and concepts that we will implement here at the St. Cloud Studio and we are confident you will see tremendous growth in your dancers overall dance ability, confidence, and self-esteem.

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!

And now.....let the dance season begin!

With Kix,
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Need To Know

Dance Attire

Please follow the dress code sheet that was included with this newsletter. If one did not make it home, it has been posted on our Just For Kix website under the Forms/Downloads page. Proper dance attire allows our staff to correct alignment and see your dancer's lines, which is an integral part of dance technique. Thank you for having your dancer prepared!

Shoes

The following shoes are expected to be worn at practice:

Kick - Jazz, Ballet or Tennis Shoes (tennis shoes must be clean and not worn outside)

Jazz - Jazz shoes or turners (toes must be completely covered)

Lyrical - Jazz shoes, turners or ballet shoes

Hip-Hop - Tennis Shoes or Hip Hop boots (tennis shoes must be clean and not worn outside)

Ballet - Ballet Shoes (most preferred), turners or jazz shoes

Early is On Time - On Time is Late

Just For Kix classes start on time! Put forth your best effort to come prepared and ready to dance! Every dancer is needed from COUNT ONE to make it an effective and organized practice or performance.

Attendance

Make practices and performances a priority - your class and team depend on you! If you are absent, meet with a friend to learn the material BEFORE the next class. If you know that you will be absent on the day of a performance, please inform the instructor in advance so they can rework formations at class if needed. Dancers who are not at class the week before a performance, will not be able to participate in the performance.

Parking

Please use our parking lot to park and wait for dancers. At busy times, parking on the road is permitted. The front of the building is for dropping and picking up only (no parking and waiting). Thank you!

Messes, Theft & Vandalism

We hope you and your family find our studio a warm environment to hang out. Thank you for treating it as you would a treasured possession; we want it to stay beautiful for years to come. Please treat the practice and performance spaces as they were your own! We are 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 only supervised during their regular class time. Although we may have several classes going on before and after your dancers class time, it will be your responsibility to watch your children.

We Offer a No Distraction Environment

Over the years, we have found the most productive way to run classes is without distraction of parents, siblings or friends in the studio. We only have a short time each week, so every minute is important. Occasionally we will allow spectators in the last five minutes of class so you can see the progress we are making. We also have a parent viewing area outside each studio if you wish to stay for the full class.



We Make It Easy To Stay Informed

Website:

<https://www.justforkix.com/danceclasses>

This website will be utilized to pay your monthly bill, order your costumes, and will serve as a tool to view all of the paper hand outs we pass out in class and other important information. When you are logged into your account, click on the MY PROGRAM WEBSITE icon in the left hand corner of the page. This will bring you to the latest news you need to know!

Newsletters

Preschool-1st grade dancers will receive a monthly newsletter with important information as well as a fun coloring sheet!

2nd grade and older dancers will receive a printed bimonthly newsletter. These newsletters will have important dates and information for upcoming events. You can also find these newsletters on the website in Forms/Downloads.

Email

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.

We also now have the option to add an ALTERNATIVE email address so that 2 people can receive updates!

Communication

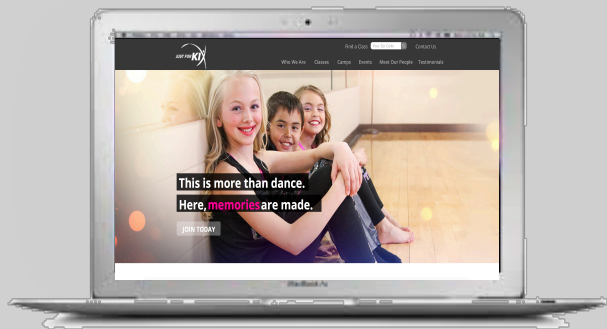
Email or direct phone calls are the preferred method of communication. Text messages, Facebook messages or other forms of communication are not guaranteed to get a response back.



Our Online Payment & Dance Management System Has Been Successfully Launched!

You will have access to all of your dancers pertinent information for classes, payments and costumes organized under ONE account!

www.justforkix.com/danceclasses



ATTENTION: Important Costume Information

Your dancer will receive their uniform at class when it arrives from the manufacturer. We recommend that your dancer try it on right away at the studio so that the office personnel or dance teacher can ensure it fits properly.

If the uniform needs to be exchanged, each individual family

will be responsible for sending the uniform back to the office on their own. Enclosed with the costume is a SALMON colored order form. The costume exchange portion on the back of the form must be filled out completely and sent back with your items. The new costume will be shipped back to the director and the dancer will receive it in class.

**Recommended procedure: For a timely turn-around time, we recommend ordering a new costume in the size you need and sending back the wrong-fitting costume for a full refund (rather than an exchange).*

Please contact Brittney or Arista if you have any questions regarding this policy.



Halloween Show – October 22nd

All Preschool - 3rd grade dancers will be performing at our Annual Halloween Show at the **Sauk Rapids Middle School**. This year we will be holding two shows. There will be a small admission fee (\$2/person, 5 & under free) for this event to help cover the facility rental fee. We feel this venue will better accommodate our spectators and allow you an opportunity to really see your dancer's first performance of the season!
Specific costume information will be handed out at class.

Show #1 - Arrive at 9:30 -
Show is at 10:00am

- Wed 4:15 Tiny Kix (Kally)
- Wed 6:15 Tiny Kix (Jenna K)
- Wed Pre Petites (Jenna K)
- Mon Wee Petites (Arista)
- Wed Firecracker Kick (Kally)
- Pleasantview Wee Petites (Brittney)
- Mond Wee Kix (Arista)
- Wed Wee Kix (Kally)
- Wee Hip Hop (Jaunica)

Show #2 - Arrive at 11:15am -
Show is at 11:45am

- Thurs Tiny (Kally)
- Thurs Tiny Tap/Ballet (Brittney)
- Mon Pre Petite (Jenna K)
- Thurs Pre Petite (Brittney)
- Tues Wee Petite (Brittney)
- Thurs Firecracker Kick (Kally)
- Mississippi Heights Wee Petite (Arista)
- Tues Wee Kix (Kally)
- Ruby Kick (Kally)
- Tap I (Brittney)



TWD Competitions

The following grade break down will determine which classes will be competing this season.

- K-12th Grade Hip Hop
- K-12th Grade Lyrical
- 2nd-12th Grade Jazz
- 4th-12th Grade Kick (plus Mississippi Heights & Pleasantview Mini Kix)

These classes will compete at Together We Dance (TWD) Competitions throughout the season. A list of competitions each class is going to is included in this newsletter. Some dates are tentative and subject to change.

Please note: classes competing at each event are subject to change based on available teams to compete against.



Senior Showcase

Once again we will be taking our Senior Kix to the Rochester TWD in April to compete in the Senior Showcase. Last years event was a success, with 27 teams competing from several different states. We are so proud of our St. Cloud Senior Kix's 4th place finish in the competition!
Work Hard & Good Luck
Senior Kix!



A LOOK AHEAD...

November

11th – Father/Daughter & All Boys dance special sessions begin!

12th – Apollo Dance Show

19th – Sartell Dance Show

24th - 27th – No class - Thanksgiving break!

December

Nov 28th-2nd – Wear your costume for the show to class!

3rd – Jazz Production Rehearsal & Show Hair & Makeup Tutorial

10th – Dress Rehearsal for select classes

11th – Winter Show Day!

21st-Jan 3rd – Winter Break! No class!

January

4th – Classes Resume at the studio

11th – 13th – Winter Special Sessions Begin!

28th – Sauk Rapids Dance Show

29th – Sauk Rapids #1 TWD

February

10th-11th – State Dance Team Tournament

15th-17th – Dream Team/Dazzlers/Adult Fitness/Advanced Hip Hop sessions begin

18th – Solo/Duet/Trio/Small Group show

25th & 26th – Eastview TWD

**Please note that the events listed above may not apply to all classes.*

COSTUMES

If you still need to order your costume:

Costumes need to be paid in full before the order is placed. Some costumes may take 8-10 weeks from the order date to arrive so all orders must be placed by **September 30th**. Late orders will not be guaranteed delivery prior to the Winter Show.

If you have received your costume:

Try it on right away. If the sizing is not correct please return it to the home office as soon as possible. You can make an exchange as long as the costume has not been worn or damaged. Tights/Under Garments can only be exchanged if they are unopened.



CANCELLATIONS

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

- St. Cloud Just For Kix Website
<https://www.justforkix.com/danceclasses/st-cloud-area-mn/>
- Mass e-mail to the effected classes
- Facebook Post
- Remind 101 Text Alert (for those who have signed up for the text announcements)

If school is cancelled or let out early (for weather emergencies) we will not have class. Any classes that are cancelled will be rescheduled for a later date.

CONTACT US

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Just For Kix Catalog

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INSTRUCTORS

2016-2017

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Jenna Gregor
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Kayela Steiner
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Grace Forberg
Hannah Wohletz
Alyssa Louwagie
Carlos Stroia

TUITION

Our tuition is based on a yearly rate for 36 classes (unless it is a special session).

You have three payment options for your tuition:

(A \$1/class/month discount applies if you pay for 4 or more months at a time)

- Pay the full year by September 30th
- Pay for half of the year by September 30th and again by January 1st.
- Pay monthly. Payments are due on the FIRST of every month and MUST be paid online. Any payments received by the home office in Brainerd after the 10th will be assessed a late fee of \$10.00.

Dancers will receive a payment reminder in class if their account is not paid in full by the first of the month. If it is not paid by the following week, they will not be allowed to participate in class. Thank you in advance for your timely attention to payments!

Our online system makes paying for classes as easy as 1-2-3!

1. Login to your account at www.justforkix.com/danceclasses
2. Click on Make a Payment
3. Add classes to your cart and submit your order

REMIND 101- TEXT ALERTS



Stay informed by receiving our studio text alerts for important information. Simply type the message **@stcloudj** to the number **81010**.

Follow the instructions and you will be set up to receive our updates!



September 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6 Studio Opens!	7 Adult Zumba Begins	8 Dream Team Begins	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16 Hip Hop Production Practice	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 Costume orders are due!	1 October class payments are due

October 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12 Adult Kick Class Begins	13 Teeny Kix Session Begins	14 Contemporary Session Begins	15 Tech Dance Show
16	17	18	19	20	21	22 Halloween Show (3 rd & under)
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31 No class-Happy Halloween!					

Bring a friend to class week & wear your Halloween Costume!

Be on the look out: Custom Apparel Order Forms and information regarding Solos/Duets/Trios and Small Groups will be passed out in class within the next month!