### September & October 2017 · Marshall, MN

## JUST FOR KIX DANCE NEWS

### Dear Dancers and Parents,

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

### **NEED TO KNOW**

#### Parking

Please park in the parking spots at the church and enter via the side door that has the Just for Kix Poster hanging on the door. It is the door that is to the left of the Main Church doors. Parents and dancers are able to wait in the Adult Education room until the doors open or Instructor invites you into class.

### **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.

### **Contact Information**

Director: Melissa Rutledge Phone: 507-829-3748 E-Mail: Marshall\_mn@justforkix.com Website/Payments: www.justforkix.com/danceclasses

### 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.



The first ever, annual Just For Kix Together We Dance Nationals.

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

April 27th - 29th, 2018 Mayo Civic Center Rochester, MN

Just Text @907e7 Mon @3c1a4 Tue @3c1a4c Thur to 81010

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### WE MAKE IT EASY TO STAY INFORMED

#### WEBSITE

**justforkix.com/danceclasses** -This website is a tool used to list unexpected changes such as cancellations due to weather, make up class dates, performance details and/or corrections to the newsletter.

### **BIMONTHLY NEWSLETTER**

Each dancer should bring home a printed bimonthly newsletter. These newsletters will have important dates and information for upcoming events.

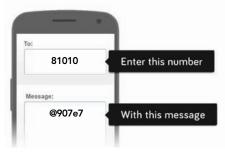
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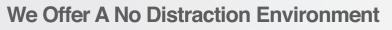
We will send out regular e-mails throughout the season with reminders and general information. Please make sure we have your most current e-mail address on file. If you have a spam blocker, e-mails from Just

For Kix may be bounced back.

### TEXT MESSAGE: REMIND APP.

Get current information fast with the Remind App. Announcements for bad weather, changes in plans, etc. It's easy to use.





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.

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## 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.

### justforkix.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.
- Tuition is based on the number of classes your dancer is scheduled to attend. You will get what you pay for.

### 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 in to the Home Office. 218-829-7107

### Mon. - Fri. 8:00am - 4:30pm (CST)

We can take credit or debit card payments over the phone.

- 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.

\* By giving us your check, please be aware that you are authorizing Just For Kix to make a one-time electronic debit from your account at the financial institution indicated on your check. This electronic debit will be for the amount of your check. No additional amount will be added to the amount.



### 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

### UNIFORMS

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 all will not be guaranteed delivery prior to the winter show. 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.

### **CURRICULUM**

Our goal throughout our dance program is two-fold:

- **1.** 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.

## TuTuTots academy

We created a revolutionary curriculum that will give your preshoolers 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 preshoolers based on their learning abilities. You will see growth in the areas of communication/expression, cooperation, self-control and selfesteem.



### DANCE YEAR AT A GLANCE

#### September

Ballet SS, Strength & Stretching SS, and Technique Special Session. Trolls Camp on September 16th. Order uniforms by Sept. 29th. SMSU Homecoming Parade on September 30th.

October

Hip Hop Starts on 10/2, Morning Side Heights Performance on 10/13, Teeny Kix starts on 10/19. No class on 10/31.

November

Father/Daughter Special Session and Mother/ Daughter Special Session starts on 11/5. Dress Rehearsal on 11/16, 20, & 21st. No class on 11/23

December Winter Show on Sunday 12/3, Meet the Tiger Night Performance 12/4, Morning side Heights Performance 12/8, Marshall Dance Team Conference Performance 12/18, Winter Break - No Class (12/22 to 1/1/18).

January No Classes on 1/1/18.

February Teeny Kix SS2 starts on 2/1, Eastview TWD on 2/24 & 2/25.

#### March

Alexandria TWD 3/10, Teeny Kix SS3 starts on 3/15.

#### April

Eden Prairie TWD 4/7, Brandon TWD 4/14, Mass Rehearsal Practice 4/21, Spring Show 4/22 @ Marshall High School Gym, Last Day of classes 4/23, 4/24, 4/26.

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

Teeny Kix (2 1/2 - 4 year olds) Pre-Petite (4 & 5 year olds) Wee Petite I (Kindegarten) Wee Petite II (1st Grade) Wee Kix I (2nd Grade) Wee Kix II (3rd Grade) Wee Jazz (2nd - 3rd Grade) Wee Hip Hop (2nd - 3rd Grade) Mini Kix I (4th Grade) Mini Kix II (5th Grade) Mini Jazz & Lyrical (4th - 5th Grade) Mini Hip Hop (4th - 5th Grade) Middle Kix (6th Grade) Middle Jazz & Lyrical (6th - 7th Grade) Middle Hip Hop (6th - 7th Grade) Jr/Sr Kix (7th - 12th Grade) Jr/Sr Jazz & Lyrical (8th - 12th Grade) Jr/Sr Hip Hop (8th - 12th Grade) Ballet Technique Full Year (4th - 12th Grade)

### Cancellations

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

jusforkix.com/danceclasses

• KKCK Radio Station, Marshall JFK Website, Marshall JFK Facebook Page, and Remind Text Alerts

• Mass e-mail (to those who supplied their e-mail address to us) 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, unless pre-planned make-up classes have already been scheduled.

### **Upcoming Events**

September 5th, 7th, & 11th are the first day of classes.

- September 11th Strength & Stretching Special
- Session and Technique Special Session
- begins.
- September 16th Trolls Camp
- October 2nd & 5th Hip Hop begins
- October 13th Morning Side Heights
- Performance
- October 19th Teeny Kix begins October 31st No Class

### Notes

ATTENDANCE IS KEY!!!!!

Please make sure your dancer is at class each week, we have limited class time and we are a TEAM and have to work together! If you are missing due to illness or vacation, please E-mail (marshall\_mn@justforkix.com) or call Melissa.







### Contact Us

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Celebrating 35 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 ten 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.

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# SEP 2017 EVENT NOTES

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2
3	4 Happy Labor Day	5 1st Day of Tuesday Class	6	7 1st Day of Thursday Class	8	9
10 Elite Kick 5 PM	11 1st Day of Monday Class	12 JFK Classes	13	14 JFK Classes	15	16 Trolls Camp
17 Elite Kick 5 PM	18 JFK Classes	19 JFK Classes	20	21 JFK Classes	22	23
24 Elite Kick 5 PM	25 JFK Classes	26 JFK Classes	27	28 JFK Classes	29 Uniform Orders due by 4 PM	30 SMSU Homecoming Parade

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1 Elite Kick 5 PM	2 JFK Classes - Middle Hip Hop Begins	3 JFK Classes	4	5 JFK Classes - Wee, Mini, & JR/Sr Hip Hop Begins	6	7	UUI
8 Elite Kick 5 PM	9 JFK Classes	10 JFK Classes	11	JFK Classes 12	13 Morning Side Heights Performance 4:45 PM	14	<b>2017</b> EVENT NOTES
15 Elite Kick 5 PM - Last practice until 2/22/18	16 JFK Classes	17 JFK Classes	18	19 JFK Classes - Teeny Kix Begins	20	21	
22	23 JFK Classes	24 JFK Classes	25	26 JFK Classes	27	28	
29	30 JFK Classes	31 No Classes					