Sep/Oct 2024 Two Harbors, MN

JUST FOR KIX

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

CLASS ATTIRE

Clothing should allow for movement; We ask that dancers do not wear jeans, jewelry, or chew gum in class. Dancers should wear athletic shorts, leggings, t-shirts, tanks, or leotards and tights. You can purchase Just For Kix practice and active wear at justforkix.com, if you wish!

SHOES

Dancers should bring their jazz shoes, tennis shoes, and hip hop shoes (if applicable) to each practice. The floor in our practice space is very slippery - socks are not allowed and are not a safe footwear for dance (unless older dancers are working on specific turn sequences).

HAIR

Dancers in kindergarten - 12th grade must have their hair in a ponytail, bun, or braid for class. Hair should be up and out of their face so they can dance and turn to the best of their ability. If hair is in their face it can be very distracting during a dance.

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. Do not let them roam the high school before class. We want them safe. PreK-5th grade parents must come into the building to drop off and pick up their child

POWER PACK

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

BATHROOM BREAKS

Please use the restroom before class. This is like a waterfall effect - once one person needs to go, they all need to go! For younger children, please try to go to the bathroom. Taking a bathroom break in the middle of class is VERY time consuming and is unproductive to our classes.

STAY INFORMED

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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

Bimonthly newsletters will be sent out at the beginning of every other month with important updates. You can also find these posted on your local website. These newsletters will have important dates and information for upcoming events.

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.

BAND APP

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

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. Otherwise, we ask that you wait outside, or down another hallway/cafeteria in the school. You are welcome to leave and come back for your dancer at the end of class (we have phone numbers in our online system in case of an emergency).

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Just For Kix

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



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. 10:00am - 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
- Show admission
- Prop Fees
- Pictures
- Special Session Fees
- Show T-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.

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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.

January - May

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 will also compete at Just For Kix competitions.

WHAT TO EXPECT FROM JUST FOR KIX

- There are, on average, 32 classes in the season.
- Depending on the location, classes will run for either 8 or 9 months.
- Classes billing Sept-April will get 32 or more classes.

UNIFORM/COSTUMES

Uniform orders are due by SEPTEMBER 30TH. 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

<u>August</u>

29 - Dance Open House

September

5 - First Night of Thursday Classes9 - First Night of Monday Classes

10 - First Night of Tuesday Classes

30 - Last Day to Order Costumes

October

7, 8, or 10 - Wear a JFK Dance Shirt 19 - No Classes - MEA Break

26 - Halloween Show / Trunk or Treat

31 - No Classes - Happy Halloween!

November

5 - No Classes - Election Day 18 - Winter Special Sessions Begin 14 - No Classes - LSSD Conferences 28 - No Classes - Happy Thanksgiving!!

December

13 - PS-1st Grade Community Show - in Superior, WI - show begins at 6:30pm

16, 17, or 19 - Tuesday Class Wear Holiday Wear

23-31 - No Classes - Winter Break

January

11 - Winter Show (1 pm)

16 - Tuesday Bring a Friend Night

18 - Thursday Bring a Friend Night 20 - No Dance Classes - Conference

Makeup Day LSSD

February

10, 11, 13 - Wear Pink/Red

17 - No Dance Classes 21 - Picture Day

March

6 - No Classes - LSSD Conferences 10, 11, 13 - Wear Green 15 - Tentative Brainerd Competition for 4th graders and up 17-21 - No Classes - Spring Break 24 - Spring Special Sessions Begin

April

5-6 - Tentative Apple Valley Competition for 4th graders and up 8, 9, or 11 - Wear a JFK Dance Shirt 14 - LAST DAY TO ORDER SPRING SHOW SHIRT 26 - Finale Practice / Snow Day Makeup Day

May

2-4 Nationals in Rochester, MN for 4th-12th graders

9 - Finale Practice / Dress Rehearsal

10 - Spring Show (1 pm)

16 - 23-24 REGISTRATION OPENS 12, 13, or 15 - PJ Day and Last Day of

Class

July

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.

MONDAYS:

- 1. Tiny Stars (3-5 year olds): 5:15-5:45pm
- 2. Monday WP / Wee Kix Combo:

Kick/Jazz(K-3rd grade): 5:45-6:30pm

3. Special Sessions throughout the year

TUESDAYS:

- 1. Teeny Kix (2-3 year olds): 5:15-5:45pm
- 2. Mini Kix Combo: Kick/Jazz (4th-5th grade):

5:45-6:45pm

3. Mini / Middle Hip Hop (4th-12th grade):

6:45-7:15pm

4. Middle Kix Combo: Kick/Jazz (6th-12th grade): 7:15-8:15pm

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THURSDAYS:

1. Thursday Wee-Petites Combo: Kick/Jazz (K-1st grade): 5:15-6:00pm

2. Tiny Diamonds (4-5 year olds): 6:00-6:30pm

3. Wee-Petites / Wee Hip Hop (K-3rd grade):

6:30-7:00pm

CANCELLATION

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

- Band App
- Mass e-mail (to those who supplied their e-mail address to us)
- Facebook Post

If school is cancelled or let out early for weather emergencies, we will not have class because we use the school for practices. 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

Extra notes:

*We are working on adding a football performance this fall for all kindergarten -12th grade dancers!

September 30th - Last day to order costumes!

October 17th - No dance - MEA break

October 26th - Tentative Halloween Trunk or Treat Event

October 31st - Happy Halloween - no dance!







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

2024

Dance classes begin! Please remember to order your costume by September 30th. If you order after that date, I cannot guarantee it will arrive on time for our first winter show/performance.

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|--------|----------|
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | Open House! | 30 | 31 |
| 1 Class Pmt Due | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 Warstsday/of | 6 | 7 |
| 8 | First day of Monday dance! | First day of Tuesday dance! | 11 | 12 Dance | 13 | 14 |
| 15 | 16 Dance | 17 Dance | 18 | 19 Dance | 20 | 21 |
| 22 | 23 Dance | 24 Dance | 25 | 26 Dance | 27 | 28 |
| 29 | Dance - Last day to order costumes! | 1 Class Pmt Due; Dance | 2 | 3 Dance | 4 | 5 |

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|--------|-------------|------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 29 | 30 | 1 Class Pmt Due; Dance | 2 | 3 Dance | 4 | 5 |
| 6 | 7 Dance | 8 Dance | 9 | 10 Dance | 11 | 12 |
| 13 | 14 Dance | 15 Dance | 16 | NO DANCE - MEA BREAK | 18 | 19 |
| 20 | 21 Dance | Dance | 23 | Dance | 25 | Tentative Trunk or Treat Dance Show |
| 27 | 28 Dance | 29 Dance | 30 | NO DANCE - Happy Hallow- een! | 1 Class Pmt Due | 2 |
| 3 | 4 Dance | NO DANCE - Election Day | 6 | 7 Dance | 8 | 9 |

OCT

2024

We have a tentative Trunk or Treat Dance Show on October 26th. There is no dance over MEA break and on Halloween!

Additionally, we are looking to add a fall football game performance - more information to come at a later date!