

Welcome to Just For Kix in Alexandria. I am so excited to have you and your dancer be a part of our JFK dance family for the 2022-2023 dance season. I want to welcome all new dance families and welcome back all of our returning JFK families. Included in this email is information on COMMUNICATION and GETTING READY FOR THE FIRST CLASS and how to stay informed on all things JFK dance, including: 1) dance class dates/times and schedules, 2) upcoming performances and events, 3) being social - like, follow, share on our social media platforms 4) contacting Alexandria JFK staff and the JFK home office.

CLASSES BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER

Our 8-month full season classes begin September 6th-12th. Teeny Kix (8-week fall session) begins October 20th. Pom 6th-12th grade (8-week fall session) begins October 25th and the Pom 2nd-5th grade (6-week fall session) begins November 7th.

MEET AND GREET OPEN HOUSE

We invite you to join us at our MEET AND GREET OPEN HOUSE event on **August 29th from 5:00pm-7:00pm.** Come meet our dance staff, check out the dance studio, get measured for dance costumes/shoes, and ask any questions that you may have.

COMMUNICATION

CALENDARS/NEWSLETTERS:

There will be four per season. Sept/October, Nov/Dec, Jan/Feb, and March/April newsletters. Class dates, performances, competitions and important events will be listed. These calendar/newsletters will be sent out via email and posted on our <u>Alexandria JFK web page</u> and <u>BAND app</u>.

BAND APP:

Join our BAND app and stay up to date on upcoming dates for classes, performances, events and any changes or weather cancellations. We will also post calendars/newsletters, videos from class for dancers to practice at home and more. Click on the link to join the BAND app: https://band.us/n/acac5f68M0jfC

WEBSITES AND SOCIAL MEDIA:

Get social with us. Like and follow us on our social media platforms where we will share information about classes, performances and also post pictures and fun stuff about dance.

- Alexandria JFK Web Page justforkix.com/danceclasses/alexandria-mn
- Main JFK Website justforkix.com
- Facebook @justforkix.alexandria
- Instagram @alexjustforkix

YOUR DANCE ACCOUNT:

Register and pay for classes, order uniforms shoes and custom wear by accessing your dance account at:

www.justforkix.com/danceclasses

CONTACT JUST FOR KIX STAFF:

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GET READY FOR THE FIRST DAY OF CLASS

WHAT TO WEAR

Appropriate dance clothes are required for class. We want to provide every child the correct feedback and when they have on loose clothing, we may miss something that is important. Please have your dancers prepared when they come to class.

- Clothing should allow for movement (examples: leotard, tight fitting top, tank top, t-shirt, leggings or shorts). See attached "What to Wear"
- You can purchase Just For Kix practice and active wear at justforkix.com if needed!
- Dance shoes (jazz, ballet, hip hop or turner), tennis shoes or socks should be worn to dance class, no bare feet. To keep our dance floor clean, dancers will change into dance shoes or a second pair of shoes in the hallway before they enter the dance room. Dancers should put their street shoes in their dance bag or a cubby in the studio. If you have already ordered your dancers jazz, ballet or hip hop shoes they will be shipped to the studio and we will hand out to dancers once they arrive. Dancers can wear socks or tennis shoes until they receive their dance shoes.

HAIR FOR CLASS - BUN OR PONYTAIL

Hair is also important. Every dancer's hair must be securely pulled away from the face. If hair is too short to make a bun or ponytail, please pull hair away from face and secure it with headband, clips, etc.

WHAT TO BRING TO DANCE CLASS:

- Dance Bag i.e. drawstring bag, back pack, small duffle bag, etc.
- Water Bottle with your name on it
- Small bottle of hand sanitizer in your dance bag
- Extra socks or shoes to wear in the studio
- A Smile and Enthusiasm!!!

ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL:

- Each dancer should arrive ready for class in their dance attire (may be covered with a jacket/sweatshirt) and have a dance bag that can fit all personal items they bring with them to practice such as dance shoes, water bottle, hand sanitizer, etc.
- Dancers should enter the dance studio building by the PINK sign no earlier than 5-10 minutes prior to the start time of class to allow instructors to finish preparing for class.
- We ask that parents of younger dancers in preschool-3rd grade walk their dancer into the lobby/hallway to drop off and pick up 5 minutes prior to the start and end of class.
 Parents may wait while their dancer is in class in the lobby/hallway or leave and come back for dismissal. Our lobby/hallway isn't very large so we ask that one parent comes into the lobby/hallway.
- Dancers should use the bathroom at home or at the studio prior to coming to dance class so that it doesn't interrupt their time in class, especially younger dancers.