# 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**

Perham - Please refrain from parking in the drop off loop at the nursing home or blocking the driveways across the street. Thank you!

### **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!

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. ALSO remember that dancers are NOT supervised by me before or after class. Prompt pick up is important as well.

### **Attendance**

Make practices and performances a priority - your class and team depends on you! Older dancers, if you are absent, meet with a friend to learn the material before the next class.

### **Facility Care**

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

#### **Contact Information**

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recommend leaving valuables at home.

Please also remember that in Perham, we are practicing in a Nursing Home. We must be respectful of our volume in common areas, including siblings waiting during class time.

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.

#### What is TWD?

TWD is our Just For Kix dance competitions! Dancers in all Jazz classes and Mini, Middle and Senior Kix will compete (Wee Kix may attend one). These are the highlight of the year for us and we love to showcase our hard work! More info to come!

All competition dates are listed in the monthly breakdown section!



The second annual Just For Kix Together We Dance Nationals.

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

April 26th - 28th, 2019 Mayo Civic Center Rochester, MN

### 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 or will receive a email PDF version. You can also find these posted on your local website. These newsletters will have important dates and information for upcoming events.

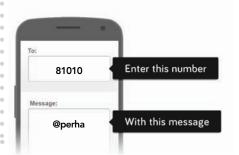
#### E-MAIL

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.

# 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.

Just Text @perha to 81010 to begin receiving texts from Heidi.



### 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.



# 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:

### Sept-Dec

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.

### Jan-Apr

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.

### **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.
- 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

### **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 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

We ask that students try on their uniform upon receipt. 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.

# TuTuTots

### **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.



<sup>\*</sup> 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.

### DANCE YEAR AT A GLANCE

September
Sept 11 - Classes begin
Uniforms need to be ordered.

October
Oct 18 - No School/no dance
Oct 30 - MILLS Halloween
show (no practice 31st)

November November 22nd - NO school, no dance

November 27 - NYM Christmas tree festival

December

December 15 - Winter Show all teams

NO class Dec 24-Jan1

January Happy new year!

February Feb 23 - Wahpeton TWD

March March 2-3 Brainerd TWD March 9 - Alex TWD March 23 - Moorhead TWD

April

Watch for special sessions!

May

May 4th - Spring Show!

June

### What Class Am I in?

Teeny and Tiny - Pre-k
Wee Petites - Kind and 1st grade
Wee Kix - 2nd - 3rd grade
Mini Kix - 4th-5th grade
Middle Kix - 6th-8th grade
Senior Kix - 9th-12th grade
Wee Jazz - 2nd-4th grade
Mini Jazz - 5th-8th grade
Junior Jazz - 9th-12th grade

### **Cancellations**

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

justforkix.com/danceclasses •

Announcement text • 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**

All known dates of performances are listed in the monthly recap in this newsletter. Additional performances will be added.

### **EXTRA NOTES**





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For over 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 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.





SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 Regular Classes	12 Regular Classes	13 Regular Classes	14	15
16	17	18 Regular Classes	19 Regular Classes	Regular Classes	21	22
23/30	24	25 Regular Classes	26 Regular Classes	27 Regular Classes	28	29

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7	8	9 Regular Classes	10 Regular Classes	11 Regular Classes	12	13
14	15	16 Regular Classes	17 Regular Classes	NO CLASS_NO SCHOOL	19	20
21	22	23 Regular Classes	24 Regular Classes	25 Regular Classes	26	27
28	29	Regular Classes,MILLS HALLOWEEN SHOW	no class MILLS			



Mills Halloween Show -Dancers please arrive at the cultural center at 5:15 in your Halloween costume for a NYM Halloween show!

