



2019 WISCONSIN
SPRING FEIS
GRADE EXAMS

Friday, May 3rd

Trinity Academy Studios
577 East Erie Street
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Sponsored by the **Trinity Booster Club** in association with the *Trinity Academy of Irish Dance*

Grade Exams will take place on Friday, May 3, 2019, beginning at approximately 4:30 pm.

Grades 1 – 12 will be offered. There will be a maximum of 60 Grade Exams offered for Grades 1 – 10. Each dancer will be contacted with their specific start time once Registration closes.

Cost:

Grades 1 through 3 - \$25 per grade exam

Grades 4 through 6 - \$35 per grade exam

Grades 7 through 10 - \$45 per grade exam

Grades 11 and 12 - \$100 per grade exam

Examiner: Maura Gray, TCRG, ADCRG, BG

Registration for Grades 1 – 10 will be through Feisworx at www.feisworx.com. Registration for these grades will be accepted until April 19th or until the maximum of 60 Grades have been registered for.

**Please note that the Feisworx registration site will not demonstrate the registrations for Grades 11 and 12.

Registration for Grades 11 and 12 require completion of an Application and Approval by CLRG for the candidate to sit the exam. The required Application is attached at the back of this Syllabus.

The completed application, required documentation and payment of the fee must be received by Wisconsin Spring Feis **NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 28, 2019**. This deadline is not negotiable as the Applications must be submitted to CLRG by the feis on March 1st.

Materials with payment made payable to **Trinity Booster Club** should be mailed to:

Wisconsin Spring Feis Grades Exams
12750 West Bobwood Road
New Berlin, Wisconsin 53151

Materials may also be scanned into a single PDF document and e-mailed to WisconsinSpringFeis.Contact@gmail.com

**In the event materials are e-mailed, payment will still need to be made by mail to the address noted above. (checks should be payable to Trinity Booster Club)

Any Questions concerning the registration process may be directed to:
WisconsinSpringFeis.Contact@gmail.com

GRADES AND REQUIRED DANCES

(Ceili Dances are underlined and in Italics)

Grade	Dances
1	Basic Reel and Light Jig
2	Basic Slip Jig and Basic Single Jig
3	Primary Reel and Basic Heavy Jig
4	Primary Slip Jig and St Patrick's Day
5	Advanced Reel, Basic Hornpipe and the <i>Walls of Limerick</i>
6	Advanced Slip Jig, The Blackbird and the <i>Siege of Ennis</i>
7	Advanced Heavy Jig, Garden of Daisies, and the <i>Four Hand Reel</i>
8	Advanced Hornpipe, Job of Journeywork, and the <i>Humours of Bandon</i>
9	Two Modern Set Dances, one in 6/8 time and the other in 2/4 or 4/4 time and the <i>High Cauled Cap</i>
10	Two Modern Set Dances, one in 6/8 time and the other in 2/4 or 4/4 time (different from those in Grade 9) and the <i>Eight Hand Jig</i>
11	Advanced Reel, Advanced Slip Jig, Advanced Heavy Jig, King of the Fairies; plus two modern set dances selected by the examiner from a list of 5 submitted by the candidate (different from those in Grade 9 and 10) and the <i>Harvest Time Jig</i>

12	Light Jig, Single Jig, Advanced Hornpipe, Three Sea Captains, Jockey to the Fair, plus two modern set dances selected by the examiner from a list of 5 submitted by the candidate (different from those in Grade 9, 10 and 11) and the <i>Morris Reel</i> and the <i>Sixteen Hand Reel</i>
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St Patrick's Day, Blackbird, Job of Journeywork Garden of Daisies, King of the Fairies, Three Sea Captains and Jockey to the Fair must be performed in a traditional manner.

40 bars of music must be danced to for all Reels, Single or Hop Jigs, Light Jigs, Slip Jigs, Heavy Jigs and Hornpipes

Grade Examination Rules:

1. A dancer may only take 3 grades at any one exam.
2. Only Basic Steps may be danced in the Preliminary grade and Grades 1, 2 & 3.
3. Dance costumes should not be worn.
4. A dancer must take all grades in order, beginning with Grade 1 – the Preliminary grade is optional. However, a candidate may **only** attempt a maximum of 3 consecutive Grades at any one sitting.
5. A three month period must elapse before the next grade is attempted.
6. All candidates must produce previous reports before proceeding to higher grades. **Please bring to the exam.**
7. Candidates must be able to adequately demonstrate practical and theoretical knowledge of all ceili dances as per “Ár Rincí Foirne” as specified in the syllabus for Grades 5 -12 inclusive.
8. Grade exams must be examined by at least 4 examiners up to grade 10 plus two different full examiners for grades 11 and 12.
10. A dancer would be permitted to retake any grade for a better score upon submission of a specific written request to the Udarás Scrúdaithe, with the understanding that the second result would replace the earlier one and that the dancer would be required to pay the usual fee for the grade being taken.
11. All 12 Grade exams must be completed to be eligible to apply for the TCRG examination effective from January 1st 2018.

General Information:

Please note that the exams are designed to build on each other and are not based on competition level; therefore, dancers should perform basic steps in grades 1, 2 and 3 regardless of competition status. (For example, even though a dancer may be an Open Champion, at Grade 1 they should perform their school's beginner reel instead of their typical competition steps.)

Grade exams are separate from competitions and do not count towards moving up competitively at a subsequent feis.

PLEASE NOTE: kindly ask your teacher before registering to ensure you are eligible to take our grade exams, especially if you have taken grade exams in the past.

Spectators are not allowed to observe Grade Examinations, only the Examiner, Examinees and assistants from the sponsoring organization are permitted into Exams.

What to Wear:

Shirt without name or School identifying information, dark colored bottoms (shorts or skirt) and tights or socks. Wigs and Solo or School Costumes are not permitted.

For more information and a complete list of the official rules, click here:
<https://www.clrg.ie/images/downloads/exams/Grade%20Syllabus%202015.Pdf>

Registration payments for Grades 1 – 10 are accepted via credit card on www.feisworx.com.

Registration payments for Grades 11 and 12 must be mailed to Wisconsin Spring Feis as noted above.

