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Michael Patrick Gallagher School of Irish Dance, WY  
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# THE WYOMING STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS



**Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup> 2026**

**At St Anthony Tri Parish School**

**1145 W 20th Street - Casper, WY 82604**

**Feis Hotel - Ramkota Casper**

**800 N Poplar Street – Casper, WY 82601**

**Reservations/Direct Phone (307) 266-6000 – Rate: \$109 per night  
(mention “Irish Dance” and book by May 22<sup>nd</sup> for Feis rate, includes breakfast)**

**Member of An Coimisiun, Dublin, Ireland**

**Register online @ [www.feisworx.com](http://www.feisworx.com) Entry Deadline: Fri, May 22<sup>nd</sup> 2026**

**Saturday Cap – 150 PC/OC, 125 Grades**

**Adjudicators:**

**Bernadette Dillon Gavin – NY Donna Means King - CA  
Sondra Greene -CA Jeannie Thornton - CA  
TBD JR Walker - FL**

**Musicians:**

**Carolyn Kehoe – MO  
Mike Shaffer– OH**

**Note: NO videotaping or flash photography of dance competitions permitted.**

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## SOLO COMPETITIONS



Traditional Hardshoe required for Beginners 1 and 2, per Western US Region Standard Syllabus.

<u>Beginner 1</u>	<u>U7</u>		<u>U9</u>		<u>U11</u>	<u>11 &amp; O</u>
Reel	101		111		121	131
Light Jig	102		112		122	132
Slip Jig	103		113		123	133
Single Jig	104		114		124	134
Treble Jig	105		115		125	135
Hornpipe	106		116		126	136
St. Patrick's Day	107		117		127	137



**Open to dancers who have never won 1<sup>st</sup> of 5-9, or 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> of 10 in dance entered.**

<u>Beginner 2</u>	<u>U7</u>		<u>U9</u>	<u>U11</u>	<u>11 &amp; O</u>		
Reel	201		211	221	231		
Light Jig	202		212	222	232		
Slip Jig	203		213	223	233		
Single Jig	204		214	224	234		
Treble Jig	205		215	225	235		
Hornpipe	206		216	226	236		
St. Patrick's Day	207		217	227	237		

**Open to dancers who have never won 1<sup>st</sup> of 5-9, or 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> of 10 in dance entered.**

<u>Novice</u>		<u>U9</u>		<u>U11</u>		<u>U13</u>	<u>13 &amp; O</u>	
Reel		311		321		341	351	
Light Jig		312		322		342	352	
Slip Jig		313		323		343	353	
Single Jig		314		324		344	354	
Treble Jig		315		325		345	355	
Hornpipe		316		326		346	356	
Traditional Set		317		327		347	357	

**Open to dancers who have never won 1<sup>st</sup> of 5 to 9, or 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> of 10 in dance entered.**

<u>Prizewinner</u>		<u>U9</u>		<u>U11</u>		<u>U13</u>	<u>U15</u>	<u>15 &amp; O</u>
Reel		411		421		441	461	471
Light Jig		412		422		442	462	472
Slip Jig		413		423		443	463	473
Single Jig		414		424		444	464	474
Treble Jig		415		425		445	465	475
Hornpipe		416		426		446	466	476
Traditional Set		417		427		447	467	477

**Open to dancers not yet in Championship.**

## CHAMPIONSHIP COMPETITIONS

All Championship Dancers will compete two at a time.

Preliminary Championships, Open Championships,

Adult Championship & Advanced Adult Championship will consist of 3 rounds: 48 bars Reel/40 bars Slip Jig, and 40 bars Hornpipe/48 bars Treble Jig, and set dance.

**Requirements:** Adult Championship and All U9 Champion Dancers will dance a Traditional Set.

**Any competition with fewer than 5 competitors may be combined with the next age group.**

Preliminary	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	U16	16 & O
	709	710	711	712	713	714	715	716	717
<b>Open to dancers who have not won 3 firsts overall in Prelim Championships of 5 or more dancers.</b>									
Open	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	U17	17 & O
	719	720	721	722	723	724	725	727	728
<b>Adult Championship</b>	699								
<b>Advanced Adult Championship</b>	799								

<b>Specials &amp; Cultural Competitions</b>	
Non-Champ Soft Shoe Reel - U9	901
Non-Champ Soft Shoe Reel - U13	902
Non-Champ Soft Shoe Reel - 13 & O	903
<b>Grade Level Dancers - 1 step DTL</b>	
Champ Soft Shoe – U13	904
Champ Soft Shoe – 13 & O	905
<b>Championship Level Dancers - 1 step DTL</b>	
<b>Paddy Ellis Buchail Bo Buckle</b>	
Non-Champ Treble Jig – U13	907
Non-Champ Treble Jig – 13&O	908
<b>Grade Level Dancers - 1 step DTL</b>	
Champ Hard Shoe – U13	909
Champ Hard Shoe – 13 & O	910
<b>Championship Level Dancers - 1 step DTL</b>	
<b>New this year! Hard Shoe Slip Jig – 1 step DTL</b>	
Champ Dancers – All Ages	911
<b>Darren Maguire Future Champ Special</b>	
Open to Novice & Prizewinner dancers – great opportunity to practice Championship format! Dance on the big stage for three judges.	
Two Rounds – 2 steps reel, 2 steps hornpipe or jig. Includes Championship awards at podium.	
<b>U11</b>	521
<b>11&amp;O</b>	541
<b>Irish Art* (Dress/Vest Templates Attached)</b>	
Solo Dress Design	950
Solo Vest Design	955
<b>Age Groups will be determined by entries</b>	
Parent Solo Costume Design	965
<b>Parents do not need to include age on entry ☺</b>	

Adult	Beginner	Novice/PW	Adult Figure	48 bars
Reel	601	610	2H Reel	801
Light Jig	602	611	3H Reel	810
Slip Jig	603	612	4H Reel	870
Single Jig	604	613		
Treble Jig	605	614		
Hornpipe	606	615		
St Patrick's Day	607			
Traditional Set		616		



Music - Fiddle	U8	U12	U15	U18	18&O
Beginner	970	972	975	978	979
Advanced	980	982	985	988	989

**Tune Selection - Jigs, Reels, Polkas, Marches, Hornpipes, Airs.**

Beginner Figure	U7	U9	U11	11&O
2H Reel	807	809	811	812
3H Reel	817	819	821	822
<b>All members must be Beginner in at least one solo dance</b>				
Open Figure	U11	U13	U16	16&O
2H Reel	851	853	856	857
3H Reel	861	863	866	867
4H (Book)	871	873	876	877
6H (Book)	881	883	886	887
8H (Book)	891	893	896	897
<b>Parent/Child Special</b>				
<b>48 bars - 2H, 3H, 4H</b>			Reel	900

\* Irish Art Dress/Vest Design entries must be submitted by 10:00 a.m. the day of Feis. Entry must have name, age and school on back (parent ages are not necessary). Templates are attached at the end of this syllabus.

## ***Dancing Competition Rules***

1. Wyoming State Championships is registered with and will follow the rules of the Western US Regional Council and the Irish Dance Teachers' Association of North America.
2. Dancer's age is determined as of January 1<sup>st</sup>.
3. First Feis competitions are open only to dancers who have never competed at a feis. Dancer may only enter First Feis once even in the case of back-to-back Feisianna.
4. Competitions of four or fewer competitors may be combined; sixteen or more competitors may be split by age if there are a minimum of five dancers in each age group.
5. Competitors must be at the stage, prepared to dance, at least fifteen minutes prior to the beginning of their scheduled event.
6. Dancers who appear in competitions in which they are not entered and paid will not be eligible for placement or awards.
7. When awards are announced, competitors must be in costume, including dance shoes, to receive their awards. Only Championship and Specials will be announced and given in person. Results for Grades will be posted and available on Feisworx. There will be a designated area to pick up awards for Grades. Awards will not be mailed.
8. Championship competitions are awarded by the entire adjudicator panel; individual rounds will be awarded based on one, randomly selected, adjudicator's scores as in solo competitions.
9. Blackout Guidelines: Appropriate blackout attire is black shirts and black skirts with black spankies/tights for girls or black shorts/pants for boys. To meet CLRG considerations, "appropriate" is defined as not too short (mid-thigh length is appropriate), not too tight, no scooped necklines, no sleeveless or cap sleeve tops and no specific school identification by lettering, words or symbol.
10. Music Competition Guidelines: Beginner (played for one year or less) - plays two tunes of contrasting tempo. Advanced - plays three tunes of contrasting tempo from the selection of tunes. The Selection of Tunes are Jigs (Single Jig / Double Jigs / Slip Jigs), Reels, Polkas, Marches, Hornpipes and Airs. No amplified instruments allowed.
11. Definition of Adults & Advanced Adults:
  - a. Adults: Dancers who started after the age of 18, or who have been out of competitions for 5 years.
  - b. Advanced Adults: Anyone age 18 or older who has previously placed in the top 3 of a Prelim Championship or competed in Open Champ levels in the youth/& over levels regardless of when the competitor was active. An Advanced Adult dancer has opted to leave youth/& over categories and once the dancer begins competing in Advanced Adult, the dancer may not return to youth/& over categories. In 2025, Advanced Adults shall follow the rotation of dances for the Senior Ladies/Men age groups. For the recall round, set of choice will be performed
12. Beginner Figures are open only to dancers in beginner for at least one solo dance.
13. Open Figures are open to all grade levels.
14. The Michael Patrick Gallagher School of Irish Dance, the Irish Dance Association of Central Wyoming, the Feis Committee and anyone associated with the Committee in putting on the Feis, shall not be held responsible or liable for any personal injury, property loss or damage incurred before, during, or after the Feis, by any participants or by anyone attending the event. By entering the feis, the entrant and/or the entrant's parent or legal guardian agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the above-mentioned parties from any liabilities or personal injury as a result of the entrant's participation.

***Please register online @ [www.feisworx.com](http://www.feisworx.com)***

<b><i>Prelim/Open/Adult Championships</i></b>	<b><i>\$55 (3 rounds)</i></b>	<b><i>Late Entry Fee (after 5/22/26)</i></b>	<b><i>\$30</i></b>
<b><i>Future Champs Special</i></b>	<b><i>\$40 (2 rounds)</i></b>	<b><i>Feis Worx Service Fee</i></b>	<b><i>\$ 7.50</i></b>
<b><i>Solo Light Shoe Flat Fee</i></b>	<b><i>\$25</i></b>	<b><i>Figures Flat Fee</i></b>	<b><i>\$10</i></b>
<b><i>Solo Hard Shoe Flat Fee</i></b>	<b><i>\$25</i></b>	<b><i>Feis Specials</i></b>	<b><i>\$10</i></b>
<b><i>Family Admission Fee</i></b>	<b><i>\$25</i></b>	<b><i>Music Competitions</i></b>	<b><i>\$10</i></b>
		<b><i>Art Competitions</i></b>	<b><i>\$ 5</i></b>
		<b><i>Day of Feis Changes</i></b>	<b><i>\$25</i></b>

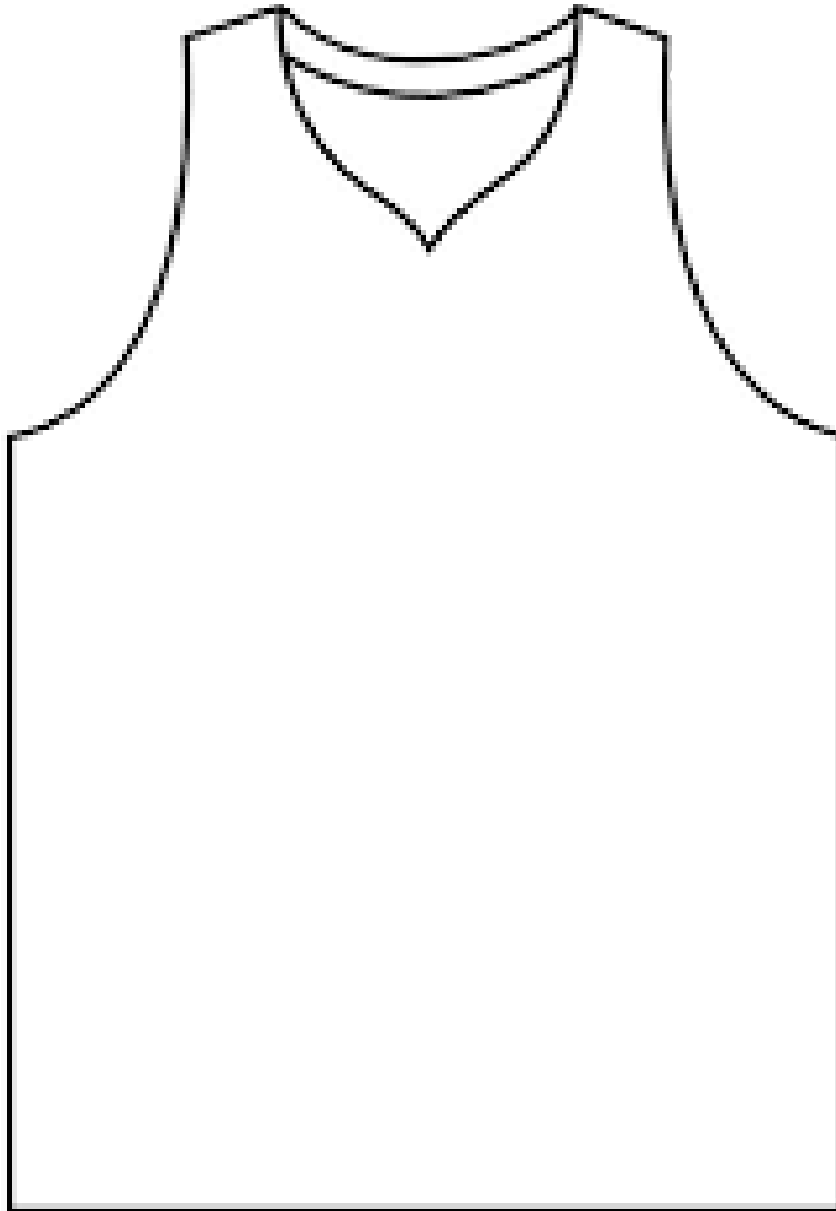
***Family Max \$150 (excludes Special/Cultural, Admission, Late, Service and Change fees)***  
***Online payment only – Entry/payment deadline 6/2/2026. Entry fees are non-refundable***

# The Wyoming State Championships Irish Dance Solo Dress Template



Please, put competitor NUMBER, NAME, AGE and Irish Dance SCHOOL affiliation on the **BACK** of this completed form and submit to the Wyoming State Championships, Solo Dress Design Competition (#950/965), no later than 10:00 a.m. Day of Feis. Entries may be picked up by the entrant after awards are placed. Entries that are not picked up will not be returned.

# The Wyoming State Championships Irish Dance Solo Vest Template



Please, put competitor NUMBER, NAME, AGE and Irish Dance SCHOOL affiliation on the **BACK** of this completed form and submit to the Wyoming State Championships, Solo Vest Design Competition (#955/965), no later than 10:00 a.m. Day of Feis. Entries may be picked up by the entrant after awards are placed. Entries that are not picked up will not be returned.



# SYLLABUS APPROVAL

## WYOMING STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026

IS REGISTERED WITH THE  
WESTERN U.S. REGIONAL COUNCIL

SYLLABUS APPROVED BY:

*Annie Darlington*

ADCRG - SERGEANT AT ARMS

APRIL 8, 2026

DATE



# LEVEL DEFINITIONS AND ADVANCEMENT RULES

**First Feis** is not per dance. It is the first Feis ever for the dancer. Dancers may only enter First Feis once, regardless of how many dances they are competing, even in the case of back-to-back Feiseanna.

In **Beginner 1, Beginner 2 and Novice** the following advancement rules will apply:

- Competitions with 5 - 9 dancers: 1<sup>st</sup> place will advance to the next grade.
- Competitions with 10 or more dancers: 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> places will advance to the next grade.
- Dancers may not stay in level at teacher discretion, with the exception of back-to-back feiseanna.

**Prizewinner:** Advancement from Prizewinner to Preliminary Championship is at teacher discretion.

**Preliminary to Open Championship:**

- Dancer must have 3 overall wins in competitions with 5 or more dancers. Advancement to Open is not at teacher discretion.
- Upon winning 3rd overall win in Preliminary Championships, a dancer must move immediately to Open, even in the case of back-to-back Feiseanna. This includes 2-round and 3-round Preliminary Championships.

**Adults:** Dancers who started after the age of 18, or who have been out of Youth/&over competition for 5 years.

**Advanced Adults:** Dancers age 18 or older who previously placed in the top 3 of a Preliminary Championship or competed at the Open Championship level in the youth/&over levels, regardless of when the competitor was last active.

- Advanced Adults do not need to be out of competition for 5 years before moving from the youth/&over categories to Advanced Adults.
- Dancers who have already been competing in the regular Adult categories do not need to move to Advanced Adults, regardless of their level or placements achieved when competing in youth/&over.
- An Advanced Adult dancer has opted to leave Youth/&over categories, and once the dancer begins competing in Advanced Adult, the dancer may not return to Youth/&over categories.

**Beginner Figures:** Open only to dancers in beginner for at least one solo dance.

**Open Figures:** Open to all grade levels.