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Mother's Day
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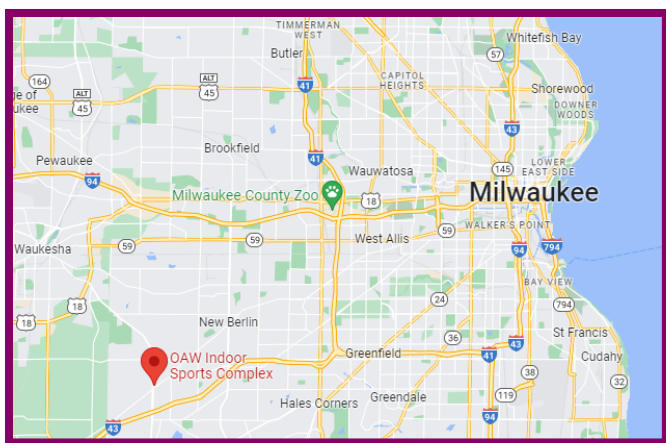
MOTHER'S DAY FEIS

FRIDAY

May 10, 2024

*This is a PC and Future Champ
Mini Feis –
same day as Grade Exams!*

OAW Indoor Sports Complex
(Orthopedics Association of Wisconsin)
5330 S Racine Ave,
New Berlin, WI. 53146



REGISTRATION

Online registration open up to Apr 29

www.QuickFeis.com

**After Apr 29 all registration
must be done in person at the Feis**

Limited to the first PAID entries
100 PC
40 Future Cham

Online payment with credit cards only
At the Feis payment with credit cards only

FEIS INFORMATION

- Event parking: Complimentary
- On-Site parking available with plenty of overflow
- Camping encouraged in designated area(s)
- No Food & Beverages allowed into venue
- Full Concessions will be available
- Empty water bottles are allowed into venue
- No coolers allowed
- Please send all questions about the Wisconsin Spring Feis to:
wisconsinspringfeis.contact@gmail.com

FEIS HOTEL

Fairfield Inn & Suites

135 Discovery Dr
Brookfield, WI. 53045
(262) 205-4450

Holiday Inn Express & Suites

115 Discovery Drive
Brookfield, WI. 53045
(262) 214-5600

- Parking: Complimentary
- Complimentary Breakfast

*When making phone reservation, request
WISCONSIN SPRING FEIS rate.*



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REGULAR FEIS FEES

- US Funds ONLY – Credit cards ONLY
- Payment due at time of registration
- Online registration will accept credit card payment only
- All unpaid online registrations will be dropped after Apr 29
- *Sorry - no cash or checks will be accepted at any time*

Through Apr 29

Family Event Fee	\$ 30 <i>Charged per family</i>
Preliminary Champ	\$ 45
Future Champ	\$ 45
PC Second Chance	\$ 45

ABSOLUTELY NO REFUNDS

LATE FEES AFTER APR 29

All late fees are in addition to the **REGULAR FEIS FEES above** and apply PER DANCER

	Up to Apr 29	Apr 29 and afterwards
New Registration	No late fee	\$ 50
Registration Change	No late fee	\$ 25
Family Max	\$150	No family max

- Late NEW registrations accepted ONLY if the feis has not capped
- Fees must be paid at the time of registration
- Only CREDIT CARD payments accepted at feis
- Sorry no checks or cash accepted at any time

REGISTRATION RULES

- Payment must be made at the time of registration
- All registrations and changes made after Apr 29 will be charged the late fees and no family max will be applied
- Day of feis registrations and changes only need to be made before your competitor begins. It is not necessary to come in first thing in the morning if your competitor is not competing until later in the day. That said, all new registrations and changes should be made at least 45 minutes before their competitions begin.
- No personal checks, money orders, or cash will be accepted for any registrations (online or in person)
- There is NO waiting list
- Entries are not valid until full payment is received.

ABSOLUTELY NO REFUNDS OF ANY KIND - AT ANY TIME

FEIS RULES:

- All Wisconsin Spring Feis stages are NAFC compliant.
 - All stages are built with ¾" inter-locking plywood, with 2" x 4" infrastructure & padded base.
 - Each Double Stage will be 56"x24"
- Feis reserves the option to combine competitions in accordance with IDTANA Mid America Dance Rules.
- PC/OC light and heavy rounds will also dance 2 at a time on a split stage.
- PC/OC competitions will be split if the competition exceeds 30 registered dancers.
- Stage assignments may change, at the discretion of the Feis committee; announcements will be made on the public-address system or at impacted stage(s).
- Competitor is responsible to report to the proper stage on time.
- Food services are provided by the OAW Indoor Sport Complex. Outside food & beverages will not be allowed inside the Venue.
- Parents not accompanying dancers under age 18 are required to provide their child(ren)'s chaperones with signed medical authorizations.
- Medals must be picked up on the day of the Feis.
- Only awards omitted in error by Feis committee will be mailed. Dancer's # card must be presented to claim award(s). NO EXCEPTIONS.
- Competitors must be at their assigned stage ready to compete when their competitions are ready or announced.
- A competitor may be eliminated from a competition for reporting late.
- Competitions will be closed when no more competitors are at the stage ready to compete.
- Please notify the stage monitor of any schedule conflicts PRIOR to the start of the dance.
- No competition shall be reopened except at the sole direction of the Feis Coordinator.
- NO CAMPING AT STAGES. PARTICIPANTS MUST USE DESIGNATED AREA; stage seating is for viewing competitions.



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NUMBERING SYSTEM

1 st Digit	LEVEL CATEGORY	Pre-Beginner all begin with "1", BEGINNER 1 with "2", and so forth
2 nd and 3 rd Digits	AGE GROUP	Begins at 01 - So "05" means "under 5", "11" means "under 11", ...
4 th and 5 th Digits (Letters)	COMPETITION TYPE	RL = REEL LJ = LIGHT JIG SJ = SLIP JIG SN = SINGLE JIG/HOP JIG TJ = TREBLE JIG HP = HORNSPIPE PD = ST PATRICK DAY TS = TRADITIONAL SET ...
Last Number "2"	SECOND CHANCE	Any competition ending with "2" denotes a second chance competition

AGE GROUP: your age group is determined by the YEAR the competitor was born. This changes from year to year!

For 2024	U5	U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	U16	U17	U18
Born in:	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006

PLEASE NOTE: Age groupings beginning with "O" mean THAT age AND over (example O11 means 11 and older)

PRELIMINARY CHAMPIONSHIP

A dancer who wins 1st place in each of the Open dances (reel, slip-jig, treble jig, and hornpipe) can move into Preliminary Championships with teacher's permission. Boys and Girls will compete against each other, however if there are at least 5 boys entered, the boys will be moved into a separate competition. In cases where a Feis elects to split a competition due to a large entry, the split must be done by birth date age in the same manner as the North American Championships.

Dancers will perform 48 bars of the reel or 40 bars of the slip-jig and 40 bars of the hornpipe or 48 bars of the treble jig.

Preliminary Championship will be judged and scored by all 3 judges. In addition, awards will also be posted for each solo round (light and heavy round) based on the scores of one judge (different judges scores for light and heavy).

BOYS/MEN & GIRLS/LADIES	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	U16	U17	U18
Preliminary Championship	609PC	610PC	611PC	612PC	613PC	614PC	615PC	616PC	617PC	618PC
PC Second Chance	609PC2	610PC2	611PC2	612PC2	613PC2	614PC2	615PC2	616PC2	617PC2	618PC2

Second Chance PC dancers are encouraged to wear PINK or something to celebrate Mother's Day!

FUTURE CHAMP SPECIAL

Is your dancer a rising star? A future champion? Open for Grade Level Dancers that are novice and prizewinner getting ready for champ level!! Open to dancers who currently dance in Novice and Prizewinner levels. Must enter at least two grade level dances at the Feis to be eligible for competition.

Must dance TWO ROUNDS

1. SOFT SHOE ROUND - EITHER Reel (48 bars) OR Slip Jig (40 bars)
2. HARD SHOE ROUND - EITHER Hornpipe (40 bars) OR Treble Jig (48 bars).

This is not a championship competition, but a way to practice championship level competition in front of three judges in preparation for dancing solo in the championship level. Full awards ceremony and special awards will be given for these competitions.

<i>Girls & Boys</i>	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12
Future Champ	508FC	59FC	510FC	511FC	512FC



MID-AMERICA REGIONAL DANCING COMPETITION RULES

1. Solo competitors in First Feis (if offered), Beginner, Advanced Beginner, Novice or Open (Prizewinner) competitions:
 - a. Must compete in their own age group.
 - b. Must be prepared to perform two steps in each event.
2. With the exception of First Feis and Beginner 1, a dancer's level is determined in each dance (Reel, Light Jig, Single Jig, Slip-Jig, Hornpipe, Treble Jig, and Traditional Set). Traditional Set Dances are limited to those dances determined by An Coimisiun Le Rince Gaelacha as traditional set dances.
3. A Feis Committee may combine competitions if there are less than 5 competitors entered as follows:
 - a. Two consecutive age groups, combined into the higher of the two groups, within that grade.
 - b. Three consecutive age groups, combined into the highest age group, within that grade.
 - c. All Boys' grades competitions shall be initially entered in single year age groups within that grade.
 - d. If there are less than 5 Boys entered in any one age group within that grade, competitions may be combined in the following order:
 - i. Double, All Boys, age group into the higher of the two groups within that grade
 - ii. If a double, All Boys age group does not create 5 or more entries, the Boys shall be combined into the corresponding single year Girls' age group.
 - iii. If the combined Boys and Girls age group still does not create 5 or more entries, that competition may be combined as stated in rule b above.
 - e. 100 and 200 level competitions may be combined as follows:
 - i. Ages under 8 and below, CANNOT be combined with other age groups within that grade, but Boys and Girls may be combined in the corresponding single year Girls' age group within that grade.
 - ii. Ages under 9 and above may first be combined into 2 consecutive age groups within that grade. If the combined competition still does not create 5 or more entries, that competition may be combined using rules b, c, and d above.
4. Each region may determine the system for moving dancers from one grade to another, as they see appropriate for their region.
5. The syllabus is to contain all grade categories.
6. Competitors have the option to remain in the same category for the remainder of the Feis year.
7. A dancer, at the discretion of the teacher, may move into the next Grade (not Open Championships) without satisfying the requirements. However, once a dancer competes in the higher level, they can never move back to a lower category, (except as outlined in Rule 1, above).
8. Grade Levels
 - a. **First Feis:** A dancer who has never competed in a Feis. A dancer can only be in this category for a single day and cannot compete at any other level in the Feis. Dancers must compete with Basic Steps that coincide with the Grade Exam Syllabus.
 - b. **Beginner 1 (Beginner) Grade:** A beginner is a competitor who has not yet taken a full year of Irish Dance lessons, thereby giving beginners a full year with such status. A Beginner must move into the Beginner 2/Advanced Beginner category the next year. Dancers must compete with Basic Steps that coincide with the Grade Exam Syllabus.
 - c. **Beginner 2 (Advanced Beginner) Grade:** An advanced beginner who wins 1st, 2nd or 3rd place will advance to the Novice category in that particular dance. Competition dances are reel, light jig, slip jig, traditional treble jig and traditional hornpipe, as a minimum requirement. Dancers must compete with Basic Steps that coincide with the Grade Exam Syllabus.
 - d. **Novice Grade:** A novice who wins a 1st place will advance to the Open (Prizewinner) category in that particular dance.
 - e. **Open Prizewinner Grade:** A competitor who does not qualify as a beginner, advanced beginner or as a novice.
 - f. **Adult:** An Adult dancer is defined as any dancer who started Irish dancing at the age of 18 or older OR any dancer 18 or older who has not competed in at least five years in a youth competition AND has never placed in the top three in a youth Preliminary championship competition of more than five competitors.
9. First Feis (if offered), Beginner 1, and Beginner 2 are required to dance at traditional speeds. Novice and Open/Prizewinner dancers may choose between traditional and Oireachtas speeds.



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10. The following dance speeds must be adhered to;

	First Feis	Beg 1	Beg 2	Novice	Prizewinner
Reel	122	122	122	113	113
Light Jig	115	115	115	115	115
Slip Jig	122	122	122	113	113
Single Jig	124	124	124	124	124
Treble Jig			92	73/92	73/92
Hornpipe			138	113/138	113/138

Traditional Sets	Traditional Speed
St. Patrick's Day	94
Blackbird	144
Job of the Journeywork	138
Three Sea Captains	96
Garden of Daisies	138
Jockey to the Fair	90
King of the Fairies	130

11. First Feis, Beginner 1 and Beginner 2 perform only basic steps to coincide with the Grade Exam Syllabus. (IDTAMA, 1/1/17)

12. Dancers competing in the First Feis category are limited to participating in the First Feis Category only. (IDTAMA, 1/1/17)

CHAMPIONSHIP LEVEL RULES

1. First place winners in the Open Championship category cannot return to a Preliminary or Open (Prizewinner) competition. Placing in a Regional or National Oireachtas does not change the status of a competitor. A dancer who moves into Open Championship must stay a minimum of 2 years. If after 2 years they have not placed they are allowed to return to Preliminary. An Open Championship dancer who places is not allowed to return to Preliminary until 2 years after their last placement.

2. Entrants in any Championship event may not enter in any other (Grade) events, but may enter in Figure Dances and Specials, ie Treble Reel Competition, etc.

a. Dancers must qualify for Open Championship via the method now in place for Preliminary Championship, i.e. two 1st place wins.

b. Dancers must compete in the Preliminary Championship competition in order to qualify for Open Championship

3. Preliminary Championships are open to those who:

a. A dancer who wins 1st place in each of the Open Prizewinner dances (reel, slip-jig, treble jig, and hornpipe) can move into Preliminary Championships with teacher's permission.

b. Have never won 1st, 2nd or 3rd in Open Championship. A dancer who wins two first place awards will move on to Open Championship at the next Feis they enter, or as soon as the second win is achieved, in any age category, in the following years. Only in the case of back-to-back feiseanna (successive days), in which case the first win in the first Feis will not change the dancer's status for the second Feis. A dancer is required to perform a light shoe dance (reel or slip jig for ladies and reel only for men), and a hard shoe dance. A Feis can opt to offer either a) a set dance or b) a jig/hornpipe.

4. A Mid-America region feis may choose to combine boys and girls in Open Championship competitions when there are less than 5 dancers registered in a particular age category.

5. One of the following statements MUST be in the feis syllabus:

a. When there are less than five dancers registered in a particular Open Championship age category, the boys and girls will NOT be combined.

OR

b. When there are less than five dancers registered in a particular Open Championship age category, the boys and girls WILL be combined.

6. The boys' open championship age categories will match the girls' open championship age categories.

7. Every competitor in Preliminary or Open Championship must have a minimum of 8 rotations or 10 minutes between each of their rounds.

FIGURE/CEILI TEAM RULES

1. Teachers or team captains are responsible that their teams are complete and in position when the competition is announced.

a. There are no restrictions on figure age groups

b. Figure age groups will be determined by the oldest dancer.

c. 8 hand teams are allowed to repeat dancers at all Mid-America feiseanna in accordance with the World and Regional Oireachtas rules.

2. The length of 2 hand and 3 hand dances in competition are to be 48 bars of music plus an 8 bar introduction.

ADJUDICATORS & MUSICIANS

1. Musicians and adjudicators cannot be approached during a competition by anyone except the Feis Committee. No one can approach them while a competitor is performing.
2. Musicians employed by the Feis Committee will be solely under the direction and management of the Feis Committee on Feis day.
3. In matters pertaining to adjudication, the decision of the adjudicators is final.
4. Adjudicators are to monitor the quality of music at the stage(s) to which they are assigned.
5. Championships and Preliminary Championships require at least three adjudicators.
6. Each Feis is required to list their adjudicators on their syllabus and/or website at least three weeks before the close of entries, one-third of which are to be from outside the region where the Feis is being held.

COSTUME RULES

1. Make up is prohibited on a dancer in the first three grades (First Feis (if offered), Beginner 1 and Beginner 2 or their equivalent) up to and including the under 12 age group. Make-up (including false eyelashes and tanner on the face) is not permitted for dancers, in either solo or team competitions, up to and including the Under 10 age group.

Clarification: Both make up rules refer to the age group of the competition, not the actual age of the dancer. For example, 9 year old dancers, competing in a team that is entered Under 12, may wear make-up or at a feis where the youngest Open Championship age group is Under11, then all dancers in that competition may wear make-up. These rules must also be announced from side stage at the event. Participants should be reminded that should they be in breach of these rules and be required to remove their make-up, that they risk missing their rotation in the competition.

2. Any competitor found to be using artificial carriage aids and subsequently refuses to remove same, will be subject to disqualification from that particular competition. Medically

prescribed aids (proof of which may be required) will be exempt from this rule.

3. Competitors in girl's competitions at the First Feis (if offered), Beginner 1 and Beginner 2 Grade will wear only the competitor's dancing school costume or a skirt/pants and top.
4. Length of costume must adhere to principles of modesty and enable dancers to safely execute their movements and steps. Adjudicators who determine a costume to be too short or to lack modesty may ask a competitor to wear black tights (of a denier not less than 70 percent) in order to continue in the competition. For competitions adjudicated by a panel of more than one adjudicator, all adjudicators on the panel must agree to asking the dancer to wear tights. Effective March 1, 2022.
5. Appropriate undergarments covering the midriff must be worn. Undergarments must provide full coverage. Dancers wearing undergarments that do not cover the areas of the body as in the illustrated example will be asked to put on black tights of a denier of not less than 70%. This is monitored by the adjudicator. For competitions adjudicated by a panel of more than one adjudicator all adjudicators on the panel must agree to ask the dancer to put on tights. Effective March 1, 2022.

MODESTY RULE

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Changing costumes, dressing and undressing of dancers will not be acceptable in the halls or public areas. For the sake of modesty and in the interests of safety of young people, dancers will not be permitted to walk around the feis scantily dressed

The Feis WILL NOT give any refunds for any reason including consequences for violations of these rules

From CLRG: Respect for fellow competitors on stage is a requirement at all times.

Lack of respect or courtesy for fellow competitors by aggressive dancing on stage will be subject to penalty at the discretion of each individual adjudicator..