



# McHugh School Feis

## May 16, 2026

### 8:30am

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## Adjudicators

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THERESA RANDALL  
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## Musicians

Karen Conway  
Kevin Forde  
Luke Sooy  
Ryan Ward

**LIMITED TO FIRST 400 ENTRIES**

**Last day to enter is May 11 at 6pm, unless cap is reached.**

**Late fees will begin on May 9**

Feis Registration available through [Feisweb](#).

**Facebook: McHugh Feis Instagram: McHugh.School**

This feis is registered, sanctioned and will be governed by the rules of AN COIMISIUN ([www.clrg.ie](http://www.clrg.ie)), IDTANA ([www.idtana.org](http://www.idtana.org)) and the Mid-Atlantic Region ([www.mid-atlanticregion.com](http://www.mid-atlanticregion.com)).

All rules and regulations are listed on the Mid-Atlantic Region Website. Any parent, legal guardian, or dancer who submits an entry agrees to abide by the stated rules of the MAR, IDTANA and CLRG.

The private event location or any other organizations affiliated with, but not limited to, CLRG, IDTANA, MAR, McHugh Booster Club, McHugh School of Irish Dance, and Goldey Beacom College, will not be held responsible for personal injury, property loss, or damage. Destruction of Feis property or rental property will be punishable by Law. This is a private event and admission can be refused to any person.

Feis reserves the right to combine competitions as necessary, especially with 5 or fewer dancers.

### **Fees:**

- Feisweb Fee: \$6
- Solo grades, traditional set, preliminary set, special needs & soda bread: \$13 per competition
- Future Champ: \$35
- Preliminary & Adult Championship: \$55
- Open Championship: \$65
- Family fee of \$25
- Late & Change Fee (begins 5/9): \$25
- Late & Change Fee (begins 5/11): \$50
- Max family charge is \$200. This does not include family fee, Feisweb fee or late/change fee.
- NO REFUNDS WILL BE HONORED unless event is cancelled.

**Marks:**

Included in entry fees

**Schedule:**

Please follow the McHugh Feis Facebook and Instagram page for schedule and any day-of changes.

**First Feis:**

Open to any age competitor that has never competed before. 1 step of their choice, reel or light jig.

<b>Reel</b>	First1
<b>Light Jig</b>	First2

**Beginner:**

Beginner is a competitor who has not taken Irish dancing lessons from a registered teacher prior to September 1st of previous year. A Beginner must move into Advanced Beginner the following year.

2 Steps, 2 Dancers at a time. Competitors in Beginner and Advanced Beginner must wear either a school costume or blouse & skirt. NO SOLO COSTUMES.

Speed: Reel / Slip Jig 122 Light Jig 115 Hop Jig 124

	U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	12 & OVER	ADULT
<b>Reel</b>	6R	7R	8R	9R	10R	11R	12R	13R	14R
<b>Light Jig</b>	6J	7J	8J	9J	10J	11J	12J	13J	14J
<b>slip Jig</b>	6S	7S	8S	9S	10S	11S	12S	13S	14S
<b>Hop Jig</b>	6HJ	7HJ	8HJ	9HJ	10HJ	11HJ	12HJ	13HJ	14HJ

**Advanced Beginner:**

An Advanced Beginner who wins 1st, 2nd or 3rd place will advance to the Novice category in that particular dance the following year. 2 Steps, 2 Dancers at a time. Competitors in Beginner and Advanced Beginner must wear either a school costume or blouse & skirt. NO SOLO COSTUMES.

Speeds: Reel/ Slip Jig 122 LJ 115 Treble Jig 92 Hornpipe 138 Hop Jig 124

	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	12 & OVER	ADULT
<b>Reel</b>	17R	18R	19R	20R	21R	22R	23R	24R
<b>Light Jig</b>	17J	18J	19J	20J	21J	22J	23J	24J
<b>Slip Jig</b>	17S	18S	19S	20S	21S	22S	23S	24S
<b>Treble Jig</b>	17T	18T	19T	20T	21T	22T	23T	24T
<b>Hornpipe</b>	17H	18H	19H	20H	21H	22H	23H	24H
<b>Hop Jig</b>	17HJ	18HJ	19HJ	20HJ	21HJ	22HJ	23HJ	24HJ

### Novice:

A Novice who wins 1st place will advance to the Open (Prizewinner) category in that particular dance the following year. 2 Steps, 2 Dancers at a time.

Reel/Slip Jig 113 Light Jig 115 Treble Jig 73 or 92 Hornpipe 113 or 138 Hop Jig 124

	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	13 & OVER	ADULT
<b>Reel</b>	107R	108R	109R	110R	111R	112R	113R	114R	115R
<b>Light Jig</b>	107J	108J	109J	110J	111J	112J	113J	114J	115J
<b>Slip Jig</b>	107S	108S	109S	110S	111S	112S	113S	114S	115S
<b>Treble Jig</b>	107T	108T	109T	110T	111T	112T	113T	114T	115T
<b>Hornpipe</b>	107H	108H	109H	110H	111H	112H	113H	114H	115H
<b>Hop Jig</b>	107HJ	108HJ	109HJ	110HJ	111HJ	112HJ	113HJ	114HJ	115HJ

### Open/Prize Winner:

A competitor who does not qualify as a Beginner, Advanced Beginner or as a Novice. 2 Steps, 2 Dancers at a time.

Reel/Slip Jig 113 Light Jig 115 Treble Jig 73 or 92 Hornpipe 113 or 138 Hop Jig 124

	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	13	U14	14 & OVER	ADULT
Reel	208R	209R	210R	211R	212R	213R	214R	215R	216R
Light Jig	208J	209J	210J	211J	212J	213J	214J	215J	216J
Slip Jig	208S	209S	210S	211S	212S	213S	214S	215S	216S
Treble Jig	208T	209T	210T	211T	212T	213T	214T	215T	216T
Hornpipe	208H	209H	210H	211H	212H	213H	214H	215H	216H
Hop Jig	208HJ	209HJ	210HJ	211HJ	212HJ	213HJ	214HJ	215HJ	216HJ

### Grades Traditional Sets:

This competition is open to any dancer in Advanced beginner, novice or Prize winner. Dancers must compete with one of the following traditional sets in traditional speed: Saint Patrick's Day, Blackbird, Job of Journeywork, Garden of Daisies, King of the Fairies, Three Sea Captain's and Jockey to the Fair. Dancers may dance 2 at a time.

	TRAD SET
U7	T1
U9	T2
U11	T3
U13	T4
O13	T5
ADULT	T6

### Championship Traditional Sets:

This competition is open to any dancer in Preliminary or Open Championship. Dancers must compete with one of the following traditional sets in traditional speed: Saint Patrick's Day, Blackbird, Job of Journeywork, Garden of Daisies, King of the Fairies, Three Sea Captain's and Jockey to the Fair. Dancers may dance 2 at a time.

TRAD SET	
U7	CT1
U9	CT2
U11	CT3
U13	CT4
O13	CT5
ADULT	CT6

### **Future Champions:**

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. Must dance either REEL (48 bars) OR SLIP JIG (40 bars) and HORNPIPE (40 bars) OR JIG (48 bars) please specify on ENTRY FORM. All age groups will dance 2 at a time. This is not an actual championship competition but a way to practice doing championship-length steps in front of three judges in preparation for dancing in solo championships at the North American Championships.

Full awards ceremony and special awards will be given for these competitions.

NOTE: ORDER FOR CHAMPIONSHIP WILL BE DRAWN FOR YOU. HARD SHOE FIRST.

	<b>FUTURE CHAMPS</b>
U9	FCU9
U10	FCU10
U12	FCU12
U14	FCU14

### **Adult Championship:**

Open to all adult dancers who have either not taken Irish dance lessons as a juvenile and are at least 18 years old or may have taken Irish dance lessons as a juvenile, but have not competed in any competition, solo or team, feisanna or Oireachtas, except competitions specifically designated for adults within the past 5 years and must be 18 years old. Must dance REEL (40 bars) or SLIP JIG (32 bars) and HORNPIPE (32 bars) or TREBLE JIG (40 bars) and a traditional set piece from the approved list. Please specify your dances on the entry form. Dancers will dance 2 at a time.

NOTE: ORDER FOR CHAMPIONSHIP WILL BE DRAWN FOR YOU. HARD SHOE WILL BE DANCED FIRST.

<b>ADULT CHAMPIONSHIP</b>	
ADULT	AC1

**Special Needs:**

You may choose to do any dance you would like. Please specify on entry form.

<b>SPECIAL NEEDS</b>	
Beginner	SN1

**Preliminary Championship:**

A dancer who has placed 1st in both light and heavy Open dances and has never won 1st, 2nd or 3rd in Open Championship. \*Mid-Atlantic Rule: Dancers who win three 1st place Preliminary Championships in one calendar year must move onto Open or as soon as the 3rd win is achieved in the following year(s). Must dance either REEL (48 bars) OR SLIP JIG (40 bars) and HORNPIPE (40 bars) OR JIG (48 bars) please specify on ENTRY FORM. All age groups will dance 2 at a time. \*\* Under 8 & 9 must do a traditional set.

NOTE: ORDER FOR PRELIMINARY AND OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP WILL BE DRAWN FOR YOU. HARD SHOE WILL BE DANCED FIRST.

<b>Preliminary Championship</b>	
Under 8	308
Under 9	309
Under 10	310
Under 11	311
Under 12	312
Under 13	313
Under 14	314
Under 15	315
Under 16	316
Under 17	317
17 & OVER	318
Adult	319

<b>Preliminary Championship Set</b>	
Under 8	S308
Under 9	S309
Under 10	S310
Under 11	S311
Under 12	S312
Under 13	S313
Under 14	S314
Under 15	S315
Under 16	S316
Under 17	S317
17 & Over	S318
Adult	S319

**Open Championship:**

SPECIFY REEL (48 bars) OR SLIP JIG (40 bars), HORNSPIPE (40 bars) OR JIG (48 bars) AND SET DANCE FROM APPROVED LIST ON ENTRY FORM. All age groups will dance 2 at a time. \*\* Under 9 must do a traditional set.

NOTE: ORDER FOR PRELIMINARY AND OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP WILL BE DRAWN FOR YOU. HARD SHOE WILL BE DANCED FIRST.

Girls Open Championship	
Under 9	409
Under 10	410
Under 11	411
Under 12	412
Under 13	413
Under 14	414
Under 15	415
Under 16	416
Under 17	417
Under 18	418
18 & Over	319

Boys Open Championship	
Under 9	509
Under 10	510
Under 11	511
Under 12	512
Under 13	513
Under 14	514
Under 15	515
Under 16	516
Under 17	517
Under 18	518
18 & Over	519

## Teams

\*Choice of 4-hand and figure.

\*Choice of 8-hand and figure

\*Team must compete in the age group of the oldest dancer on the team. The top boy of the team will wear the number.

\*Dancers may compete on two teams in the same competition (for example, a girls and a mixed).

4 Hands		8 Hands	
U9	700	U9	800
U11	701	U11	801
U13	702	U13	802
U16	703	U16	803
O16	704	O16	804
Adult	705	Adult	805

### The Joan McHugh Family Dance Competition

Joan McHugh was the honorary matriarch of the McHugh School of Irish Dance. Her love of Irish Dance spanned more than 55 years. Family brought her the most joy...her own family, and the extended family of Irish Dancers that she loved to support. Sadly, Joan passed away in June of 2025 at the age of 91, but her legacy lives on with the dancers today.

This competition is open to families (parent/child, siblings, etc). Competitors can perform any 2 hand, 3 hand, or 4 hand dance. The “Joan McHugh Memorial Perpetual Trophy” will be awarded to the winner.

Joan McHugh Family Dance	1001
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### Charity Treble Reel

\*Registration fees for the Treble reel will be donated to the Team Punkapoo and the Gift of Life Donor Program in honor of a McHugh School dancer, Jillian Shallock, who received a heart transplant at 6 months old

Dance attire for this competition is your choice. Dancers can dress in theme, black shirt/top, solo or school dress. This competition may be entered side stage the day of the Feis

Charity Treble Reel	
U12	3000
U16	3001
O16	3002

\*Please label your art with you name, age, phone number and compeitor number. Judgiing will take place at lunch.

Art	
U12	Art 1
O12	Art 2

**General information:**

All stages are at least 24x20. Champ dancers will dance two at a time. Grades dancers will dance two at a time.