

MCGOVERN

IRISH DANCE

Weekly Newsletter - November 7, 2021

Important Dates for November

November 5 MIDI 5:00 Set Up 5:30 DARBT First Friday Lafayette Performance	Nov. 13 ALL STUDIOS NO LESSONS WIDA National Championships
Nov. 6 MIDI 10:00 - 11:00 Beginners and Non Competitors Class 11:00 - 2:00 MIDI WIDA Workshop MIDO 9:45 Jump'n Jig 10:45 - 11:30 Beginners No Team Elite or sets class	Nov. 15 MIDO 6:00 - 7:15 Ull/Meán Grad/Rince Cairde and Adult class will be combined 7:30 United Irish Meeting
Nov. 7 2:00 - 5:00 Final WIDA Nationals Workshop Dayton Studio	 Nov. 21 - 28 ALL STUDIOS Thanksgiving Break NO LESSONS

This Week's Schedule

It's NATIONALS WEEK! - All nationals competitors can come to any class that matches their levels this week, in addition to their regularly scheduled classes.

Wednesday Nov. 10

TEAMS practice and the HUGE ANNOUNCEMENT and of course a celebration.

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- **6:00 - 7:30 Nationals TEAMS practice** - If you are going to Nationals and whether your are on the team list or not, YOU NEED TO BE AT THIS PRACTICE
- **8:00 - ????? HUGE ANNOUNCEMENT** - Huge announcement time is open to the ENTIRE dance family. I hope to have some snacks for you and you can bring the beverage of your choice!

Saturday Nov. 13

NO CLASSES at ALL STUDIOS - Teaching team and dancers will be at the WIDA National Championships

Studio Schedules

This is the standard schedule and does NOT reflect any changes to schedules.

Any schedule changes will be announced within this newsletter, on parents facebook page and via text/email. You can also find schedules for each studio on our web page under the HOME page tab

DAYTON

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LAFAYETTE

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	SATURDAY
4:30 - 5:00 Baby Jlg Ages 2 - 3	2:45 - 3:15 Mini Jig Ages 4 - 5	5:45 - 6:45 Open Org Steps Rince Cairde	5:45 - 6:30 Celtic Stars	9:15 - 9:45 Baby Jlg Ages 2 - 3
5:15 - 5:45 Tiny Jig Ages 3 - 4	3:15 - 3:45 Little Jig Ages 5 - 6	6:45 - 7:45 Ull/Mean Grad Rince Cairde	6:30 - 7:30 Sessions \$15/dancer	9:45 - 10:15 Tiny/Mini Jlg Ages 3 - 4
6:00 - 7:00 Ull/Mean Grad Rince Cairde	3:45 - 4:15 New Beginners Less than 1 Year	7:45 - 8:45 McGovern Team Elite	Thursdays may also be used for special practices which would take priority over sessions	10:15 - 10:45 Little Jlg Ages 4 - 5
7:00 - 8:00 Adults (including Beginner Adults)	4:15 - 4:45 Jump'n Jig mixed class (Mary & Jude)			10:45 - 11:30 Beginners/Celtic Stars
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	5:30 - 6:15 Beginner Hard Shoe/Advanced Celtic Stars			12:30 - 1:15 MTE Hard Shoes
	6:15 - 7:00 Bun Grad/Advanced Celtic Stars			1:15 - 2:00 MTE also includes sets Rince Cairde & Advanced Celtic Stars
	7:00 - 8:00 Craobh Grad			

TROY OH STUDIO SCHEDULE - TUESDAYS		Lafayette IN Studio Schedule - Saturdays	
6:00 - 6:30	Baby Jlg Ages 2 - 3	10:00 - 10:45	Beginners
6:30 - 7:00	Tiny Jlg Ages 3 - 4	10:45 - 11:30	Bun Grad
7:00 - 7:30	Mini/ Little Combo Ages 4 - 6	11:30 - 12:45	Teams/Ceili/Performance
7:30 - 8:15	Beginners ages 7 and up	12:15 - 1:00	Ullmhuchan/Mean Grad
		1:00 - 2:00	Mean Grad & Up plus Open Org material



Ghillies and Turn Out Socks Fundraiser! Order Deadline is Nov. 15

Looking for gifts for the “hard to buy for dancer”? Want to raise some money for the new roof? Do you need new ghillies? Have you been told to turn your feet out at the studio?

Ghillies and Turn Out Socks for Christmas!!!! Place your orders here. Deadline to place an order is Nov. 15 and pay for the order is Nov. 16. Once your order is received you will receive an invoice.

[Place your order here](#)

HUGE ANNOUNCEMENT

We have a HUGE announcement that we would like to share with you LIVE and IN PERSON at the Dayton studio. We will FACEBOOK live in McGovern Irish Dance Parent Connection facebook group for our Lafayette IN dancers. We will then share the video and info publicly, I ask that ALL OF US wait to post anything after the announcement until it goes LIVE publicly.

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DON'T FORGET!

MONTHLY TUITION PAYERS

**PAYMENTS ARE
DUE ON OR
BEFORE
THE 15TH OF
EACH MONTH**

WAYS TO PAY

- ONLINE - Through your invoice
- Paypal - smcgovern@mcgovernirishdance.org
- Venmo - @mcgoverndance
- Cash - Dayton only
- Checks

Ohio dancers checks get made out to **MCD**

Indiana Dancers checks get made out to **Shelagh McGovern**



PARENTS IN THE STUDIO

The quick answer is - NOT ALLOWED
It's distracting to dancers and instructors
There is very little room for extra people
in any of our studios.

Exceptions

- Baby Jig classes where parents are expected to be there.
- 1st class trials
- Special requests, prior to class

Troy studio

We have been asked that the parents DO NOT wait in the building.

Parents waiting on the stairs are in the way of people getting in the way of gym members and there are siblings running around the gym, which could be dangerous and distracting to the gym members.

We have a beautiful partnership with Fitness Institute of Troy and I don't want to jeopardize the relationship or their business.



I would like to remind everyone of our general rules/expectations for the studio and our dress codes. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me directly. Please share this information with your dancer(s).

General Studio Rules

- If you are not a dancer in the class you may NOT be in the studio. This includes siblings, parents, non dancing children, friends etc. There is very little room in the studios & quite frankly, if you are not dancing, you are a distraction. You may wait in the kitchen, in the yard or elsewhere. Please also do not congregate in the hallway in front of the bathroom (Dayton Studio)
- Occasionally exceptions will be made and Visitor days/parent peek ins are occasionally scheduled.
- When visitors are in the studio, they must sit quietly, parents and visitors are NOT to correct or coach ANY OF THE children at any time during the class at this undermines the instructor and distracts the dancer.
- No soda during class, only water is allowed in the studio.
- You must have shoes, socks, and the appropriate attire, including your hair pulled back from your face and neck.
- You must be on time and prepared to dance when your class starts. (see #2).
- You must be kind, polite, and respectful of your instructors and all members of this organization.
- No bleeding, breaking bones, losing teeth, barfing, spraining ankles, pulling ligaments, passing out, or anything else that might gross me out.
- No hitting, slapping, pinching (even in jest) or picking each other up or sitting on each other.
- Put everything that you came with back in your dance bag, dispose of any trash that is around you, whether it is yours or not, and put things you moved around back into place.
- STAY OFF MY MIRRORS!!!!!!
- When it is time for your class to start come into the studio quietly and immediately go to the seating area, get your dance shoes on, stretch and wait for your class to start. Do NOT distract the other dancers, do not walk in front of the dancer on the floor or between the instructor and the dancers that are working. (this goes for you parents as well.)
- PRACTICE, PRACTICE, PRACTICE!!!!

McGovern Irish Dance In Studio Dress Code

- Dress code applies to ALL locations, ALL classes
- Black, gray, white or pink leggings, shorts, or tights. Shorts must be at an appropriate length (no cheek chillers)
- Black, gray white or pink tights, white poodle socks or other white socks.
- Black, white., gray, or pink shirts or any MID Logo shirts, shirts with graphics as long as the main color theme is MID themed
- Graphics/designs on leggings, shirts, etc are acceptable as long as we are within the theme
- Sports Bra (This is for ALL CLASSES) - If you are over 10 and or if you need one, if there is a question about whether you need one, you probably need one
- NO SKIRTS or DRESSES
- NO mid driffs or belly shirts
- Hair pulled up off of your face and neck
- You must wear socks with your ghillies and hardshoes
- LAYERS that will allow you to move and can be easily removed. When the weather is cool the studios are pretty chilly until you start moving and then it gets very hot. When the weather is warm, it is just plain hot, especially in the Dayton studio and you WILL get sweaty. Socks must absolutely be worn!
- Deodorant - Nuff said!
- Absolutely no denim of any kind may be worn during practice. This means no denim shorts not stretchy denim, not jegging - NO DENIM! Leggings that drag the ground or have huge flares are also not acceptable; I have to see what your feet and legs are doing.
- Shoes - Standard issue Irish dance shoes (soft and hard), ballet shoes in black or gym shoes are all acceptable.
- Hair Please have your hair pulled back securely from your face and neck. It should not be hanging in your eyes. If you don't do it, I will do it for you with my supply of brand new pony-tail holders, and you will have to wear your hair the way I put it up without complaint or adjustment, crying or fussing.
- Water ONLY, no bubbly drinks no flavored anything!