

# RYAN-KILCOYNE NEWS REEL



RYAN-KILCOYNE SCHOOL OF IRISH DANCING - SPRING 2020

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**Welcome!** For news and information be sure to visit our website at [www.ryankilcoyneschool.com](http://www.ryankilcoyneschool.com). Also, be sure to check the message board for last minute reminders and notices at <https://www.voy.com/39660/>.

**Spring Tuition Dates:** The third payment for the school year is due by February 1st. The fourth payment for the year is due by April 15th. Tuition must be paid whether the child attends class or not. All tuition must be paid up-to-date or the dancer will not be allowed to participate in classes, competitions, or school functions. Tuition information and registration forms can be found on the “Classes” page at [www.ryankilcoyneschool.com](http://www.ryankilcoyneschool.com).

## Class Locations:

- Monday classes are held at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church, 84 East Oakland Avenue, Doylestown, PA 18901.
- Wednesday classes are held at the American Legion, 41 Linden Avenue, Newtown, PA 18940.
- Thursday class is held at Christina’s Studio, 14 Creekside Drive, Ivyland, PA 18974.

For directions and class times, visit the “Classes” page at [www.ryankilcoyneschool.com](http://www.ryankilcoyneschool.com).

## Additional Practices:

Christina’s Studio, 14 Creekside Drive, Ivyland, PA 18974:

- dates and times to be determined on a weekly basis
- pay as you go; \$25/dancer
- *Preliminary-Open Championship dancers and/or dancers preparing for majors only*
- Contact Molly if interested at [mollyccurran@gmail.com](mailto:mollyccurran@gmail.com)

**Class cancellation reminder:** As we approach the winter months, please check the website message board for any last minute class cancellations and changes. Class cancellations due to inclement weather are completely out of the school's control. If the local school district is closed or if there is an early dismissal, classes will be cancelled. When a class is cancelled or if a dancer misses a class, the dancer is encouraged to make up the class. Students who miss a class may make up the class at any other location once they let Christina know. Christina will determine your dancer's class.

***\*\*\*Please check the message board for any last minute schedule changes\*\*\****

**An important message regarding illness:** If your dancer is sick, please do not have them come to class or practice. If your dancer has had a fever of 100°F or more, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, or a productive cough within the past 24 hours, please stay home. Basically, please extend your dancer's school policy regarding illness to dance class/practice. Thank you for your cooperation!

**We will be closed for the following upcoming holidays:**

- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – Monday, 1/20/20
- President's Day – Monday, 2/17/20
- Holy Thursday – Thursday, 4/9/20
- Memorial Day – Monday, 5/25/20

## Hold the dates:

- St. Patrick's Day Dance Outs – see below
- Doylestown Memorial Day Parade – Wednesday, 5/25/20
- End of Year Recital – Wednesday, 6/17/20, 7-9 PM, American Legion, Newtown
- Summer Workshop – 6/22-26/20, 10 AM – 1PM each day, American Legion, Newtown

## Dance-outs:

What is a "dance-out"? It is your dancer's chance to perform with Ryan-Kilcoyne at local events and festivals! Venues vary from assisted living residences to restaurants, churches, and schools. ALL dancers are welcome and encouraged to participate in dance outs! Check the SignUpGenius at

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0548AEA729A7FC1-stpatricks>,

especially around St. Patrick's Day, for upcoming dance-outs. Each event will have a teacher or experienced dancer's parent there to run the event. After you sign up, they will contact you to coordinate. Please contact Margaret Mayorga (Fiona M's mom) with questions at [mmayorga77@gmail.com](mailto:mmayorga77@gmail.com) or at 215-478-2543.

## Class & Practice Dress Code:

Students are required to wear the following to all classes:

- Please wear shorts/skorts (inseam should be no shorter than 3.5 inches) and short-sleeve t-shirts/shirts (NO spaghetti straps, halter tops, bare midriffs, necklines cut below the collar bone, or inappropriate decorations, PLEASE & THANK YOU) to class.
- Socks and appropriate dance shoes are required to participate in any class; beginners should wear socks and a light sneaker to start.
- *Please arrive 5 minutes early, and make sure shoes are tied properly in double knots.*
- Hair (including bangs if long) should be tied back neatly off the face.
- NO GUM CHEWING
- NO CELL PHONES or similar devices (iPods, iPhones, Smartphones, video games, etc.)

## Items for Sale:

- If you are in the market for a solo dress, please check out the “Items for Sale” page at [www.ryankilcoyneschool.com](http://www.ryankilcoyneschool.com). There are a number of solo dresses available within the school. If you would like to post a dress on the page, please contact Lisa at [lpevrard@gmail.com](mailto:lpevrard@gmail.com).
- If you are in need of dance shoes, please contact Margaret Mayorga for a current listing of available used shoes at [mmayorga77@gmail.com](mailto:mmayorga77@gmail.com) or at 215-478-2543.

## Show us how you are doing:

If you have photos you would like to share on the school photo album, please submit your photos via [irishdance@ryankilcoyneschool.com](mailto:irishdance@ryankilcoyneschool.com) (Please type “Ryan-Kilcoyne Photos” in the subject line). We’re also on Facebook as **Ryan Kilcoyne** and on Instagram as **ryan\_kilcoyne**.

**Official school spirit apparel:** School spirit apparel can be found at <https://ryankilcoyne.logosoftwear.com/>. The link is also found on the “Links” page of the website under “Services & Supplies.” This is a one stop shopping experience, and the best part is that after you pick out the merchandise, your order gets mailed to your house! This is also a great idea for birthday and holiday shopping needs. During dance-outs and feiseanna, your dancer should wear Ryan-Kilcoyne Apparel. Look out for % off coupons and free shipping promotions.

**Irish dance skirt:** The recommended Irish dance skirt for dance-outs and feiseanna/competitions is the “IRISH DANCE SKIRT (LYCRA)” in BLACK from BDanceware.com found at <https://www.bdancewear.com/Irish-Dance-Skirt-Lycra-p/irish-dance-skirt-lycra.htm>. The link is also found on the “Links” page of the website under “Services & Supplies.”

**Leotard:** The recommended leotard to go with the Irish dance skirt for dance-outs and feiseanna/competitions is the “LONG SLEEVE MOCK NECK LEOTARD, MT2435” in BLACK from Dancewear Solutions found at [https://www.dancewearsolutions.com/leotards/long\\_sleeve/mt2435.aspx?position=26](https://www.dancewearsolutions.com/leotards/long_sleeve/mt2435.aspx?position=26). The link is also found on the “Links” page of the website under “Services & Supplies.”

**Blouse:** The recommended blouse to go with the Irish dance skirt for dance-outs and feiseanna/competitions for younger beginner, advanced beginner, and novice level dancers is the “Long Sleeve Modern Peter Pan Blouse, Item #1594” in WHITE from French Toast found at <https://www.frenchtoast.com/long-sleeve-modern-peter-pan-girls-uniform-blouse-2t-4t/p/1594?>. The link is also found on the “Links” page of the website under “Services & Supplies.” **NOTE:** Bloomers are required to be worn with the blouse for modesty.

**Bloomers:** The recommended bloomers to go with the Irish dance skirt when not wearing the recommended leotard for dance-outs and feiseanna/competitions is the “REGULAR DANCE BRIEFS (LYCRA)” in BLACK from BDanceware.com found at <https://www.bdancewear.com/Regular-Dance-Brief-Lycra-p/regular-dance-brief-lycra.htm>. The link is also found on the “Links” page of the website under “Services & Supplies.”

## **FYI Definitions:**

**Feis** (pronounced fesh) is an Irish dance competition. Feis is the Irish word for festival. The competitions are categorized by age group and skill level. The competitive levels are: Beginner, Advanced Beginner, Novice, Prizewinner, Preliminary Championship, and Open Championship. The plural of feis is *feiseanna*.

**Syllabus** is a listing of the competitions in a feis by age, gender, and skill level, as well as the rules of the feis, fees, and where to send entries.