

2024
NEW
ENGLAND
IRISH DANCE
SCHOLARSHIP



Applications close **11:59pm** on **March 1, 2024**

To be awarded to three graduating high school seniors who will be attending four-year colleges. The applicant must have been actively involved in Irish dancing throughout his/her/their high school years.

The scholarship amounts to be awarded are \$3000, \$2000 and \$1000.

ESSAY PROMPT

Please type your essay – no more than two pages and **do not include your dance school/teachers name in the essay.**

- What is the significance of Irish dancing in your life, and how has it influenced your personal development?
- How has your experience in Irish dance prepared you for college and contributed to your choice of career path?
- What do you hope to gain from your college education, and what are some of your aspirations for the future?

MATERIALS & SUBMISSION

Please submit the following materials along with this application form in **ONE** email:

- **Three letters of recommendation** from academic teachers/counselors
- **Typed essay** (no more than two pages - no specific mention of dance school/teacher name).
- **Scanned copy of official high school transcript** for all four years; no photocopies accepted). Please make sure to include mid-term grades for your senior year.
- **Scanned copy of official SAT and/or ACT scores and all other pertinent test scores.** These may be included as part of your official transcript or can be documented in some other official fashion. If you have not taken the SAT/ACT due to covid or other exemptions please include a short statement of explanation.
- **A resume and/or vita listing all extracurricular activities, athletics, clubs, volunteer work, employment, dance achievements etc.** (Limit one page) Do not mention your dance school by name on your resume.

The only time your dance school/teachers name should appear is on the application form for verification purposes - in an effort to be as fair as possible evaluators will not know your dance school/teachers name while reviewing the applications.

Submit your application online at <https://www.neidt.org/neidt-scholarship>

Applications will close 11:59:59pm March 1, 2024. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. It is the responsibility of each candidate to coordinate the collection of all materials to be included in one email. The scholarship committee will review all materials and announce its decision prior to the 2024 North American National Dance Championships. The scholarship recipients will be recognized at the New England Oireachtas in November 2024.

Please be advised that these applications are only considered for the New England Irish Dance Scholarship and that any applicant who would like to apply for the National Scholarship must complete the National Application. A copy should be available from your teacher, or you can download it directly from www.idtana.org.