

Irish Dance Teachers' Association of New England
2009 Scholarship Application

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 or her high school years.

The scholarship amounts to be awarded are \$1,500, \$1,000, and \$500.

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| Name | |
| Address | |
| Telephone Number & Email Address | |
| Current High School | |
| Irish Dance School & Teacher's Name | |
| How long have you been involved in Irish dance? | |
| To which colleges have you applied? | |
| To which colleges have you been accepted? Indicate your first choice.* | |

ESSAY PROMPT

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?

Please type and double space your essay – no more than **two** pages.

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Please submit the following materials along with this application form:

- Two letters of recommendation from academic teachers/counselors
- A letter of recommendation from your dancing teacher (must be signed by a TMRF, TCRG or ADCRG)
- Typed essay (no more than **two** pages)
- Official High School Transcript (**all four years**; no photocopies accepted). *Please make sure to include mid-term grades for your senior year.*
- 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.
- A resume and/or vita listing all extracurricular activities, athletics, clubs, volunteer work, employment, etc. (Limit **one** page)

Your packets will be photocopied for Scholarship Committee members, therefore please do not staple your pages; use a paper clip. Mail all materials in one envelope to:

Sue Brotherton, TCRG
45 Weed Ave.
Norwalk, CT 06850

All materials must be postmarked no later than **March 1, 2009**. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. It is the responsibility of each candidate to coordinate the collection of all materials to be mailed in one packet. The scholarship committee will review all materials and announce its decision prior to the 2009 North American National Dance Championships. The scholarship recipients will be recognized at the New England Oireachtas in November, 2009.

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. Packets for the National Scholarship should be sent directly to the National Representative.