

# COLUMBUS FEIS- PARADE OF CHAMPIONS INFO

Attention 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place PC and OC dancers!

If you have placed first, second, or third in your competition you are invited to participate in the Parade of Champions on the Irish Thunder Stage as part of the Dublin Irish Festival! The Parade of Champions is an opportunity for you to celebrate your accomplishment and to perform for a very enthusiastic festival audience! **Your *COMPETITION NUMBER* and *THIS DOCUMENT* is your backstage pass to participate in the Parade of Champions – DO NOT LOSE THEM!**

**Please read the following instructions carefully, as we must organize this event quickly and efficiently.**

- Please bring your competition number, this document, your 1st, 2nd, or 3<sup>rd</sup> place sash, your costume and both soft and hard shoes. Please report to the backstage area at the Irish Thunder Stage **no later than 4:45 PM**. The Parade of Champions will be from 5:30-6:15 PM.
- Only dancers are allowed in the back stage area- **NO PARENTS ARE PERMITTED BACKSTAGE**. Volunteers will meet dancers at the gate, show them where to change, and help line them up backstage.
- Depending on the number participating, dancers may perform either their soft or hard shoe step or they may perform both. Dancers will perform in order of age (youngest to oldest), and all dancers are required to participate in the entire Parade of Champions. All dancers will be invited to perform a treble reel as a finale to the parade of champions.
- **PLEASE BE ON TIME!** If you are in your school's performance on a different stage at the same time as the Parade of Champions, you may have to skip the Parade this year. We have been asked to present a clean and professional show for the audience at the Irish Thunder Stage. We cannot do that if we have dancers coming and going. **WE CANNOT ACCOMMODATE LATE ARRIVALS OR DANCERS WHO NEED TO DANCE AND RUN.** Everyone will dance in age order and will stay for the entire show. Check with your teacher ahead of time to make sure they are comfortable with you participating if it will overlap your performance on another stage.
- We hope you will join us and share your joy and skill with the audience at the Irish Thunder Stage!

