

NECC INFORMATION

2026

General Schedule

April 9-11, 2026

Stage Rehearsal = 4/9/26

- This will take place on the Main Stage
- Rehearsal will run from 6-7pm
- Please have dancer(s) lined up and ready to practice (shoes on and in practice clothes) at 5:50pm
- Routines in the order of youngest to oldest

Competition = 4/10/26

- Competition will run all day on Friday
- Doors open at 7:45am.
- Solo/Duo Competition will start at 8:00am.
- The team competition is supposed to start at 6:00pm.
- Doors for the team competition will open at 5:45pm.

Workshops = 4/11/26

- There will be workshops available for the dancers starting at 8am on Saturday
- Dancers are to attend 3 workshops (elementary+)

Show = 4/11/26

- Show starts at 7:30pm; doors open at 7:15pm
- Team picture TBD* at 7:00pm in jungle outfit
- Girls number outfit = bright/neon t-shirt, black leggings
- Boys number outfit = studio shirt, white shirt, animal print shirt, jeans

If you have a question, while we are there, please contact:

- Northern Explosion Facebook messenger
- NEDS email
- Band App

Competition Running Order

Solo/Duo Competition

- Acapella Solo
- Solo Freestyle Traditional
- Solo Freestyle Cont.
- Choreographed Solo
- Duo/Duet Acapella
- Duo/Duet Traditional
- Duo/Duet Contemporary
- Duo/Duet Show
- Miss Northeast Clogger

Team Competition

- Small Team
- Traditional Line
- Standing Line
- Moving Line
- Exhibition
- Acapella
- Production

Hotel

- Same as last year, everything will be in the big ballroom!

General Information:

- **Hair:** Center parted, slick back, middle bun with hair piece
- **Makeup:** black mascara and eyeliner, eye shadow; red lipstick
- **Earrings** are to be worn both nights
- **Clogging shoes are to be cleaned** – magic eraser works really well!
- **Tights** are to be worn on both nights
- **Posters:** Please make posters to cheer on our teams and other teams (hang with painters tape)

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs):

- **What category is my dancer in:** Please see the team's list below and if doing a solo/duo, please check the week before competition at the front desk.
- **When will we get results:** Winners are typically announced at the end of each category (depending on calculation times). We will not get final scores until Saturday and will not review them until we are at the studio on Monday. This is when we will answer questions/concerns.
- **Eating Breaks:** There is not set scheduled break (as of now – flexibility is key). Please pack food that your dancer can eat in the competition hall (snacks, sandwiches, fruit). Also, please ensure your dancer is not eating in his/her costume.
- **Which is the correct costume:** We HIGHLY recommend labeling each costume with your name. We also recommend labeling the hanger with which dance each costume is for. We are not responsible for missing costumes.
- **Costumes:** Reminder that everyone needs to have the production costume (Candy Land) and Saturday Night Show (leopard print) ordered from Amazon.

Team Categories:

Mighty Minis = Small Team; Production

Tiny Tot = Standing; Production

Peewee = Exhibition; Production

Elementary = Exhibition; Production

Juniors = Standing; Production

Junior Teens = Standing; Production

Senior Teens = Standing; Production

Small Stars = Small Team; Production

Alumni = Standing Line; Acapella, Traditional, Production

Acc/Trad = Acc.; Traditional

All Stars = Exhib; Moving

Adults = Exhibition