## REVISED Mister & Miss Dance USA 2025 ANDC Family National Titles Competition Weekend

We are excited and looking forward to an Awesome weekend, July 17-19, in Wilkesboro, NC. Events will be held at multiple venues, including The Yadkin Valley Events Center & The John A. Walker Center at Wilkes Community College.

Title entry is to be entered by the Studio Online & paid by June 16<sup>th</sup>. Then on July 7<sup>th</sup> we will send studios a schedule & information to share with Parents/Dancers, and it will be posted on the "title" page with detailed information for all categories and social events for the weekend.

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**REVISED FOR SUMMER 2025:** Parents DO NOT have to fill out a Google Doc or submit a headshot via the Google Doc this year. We will notify studios and verify age divisions when the Titles Information & Schedules are posted on the website. It will all be a Printable PDF. This also means you do not have to send anything to parents or ask them for anything either. We also do not have to message you with who has not submitted forms. This will be Happy for Everyone!!!!

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All National Title Contestants will receive FREE Photos and videos from the national title competition on the Dakiki App. We will also upload a complete schedule and program for all title semi-finalists to the Dakiki App. The schedule and program will also be printable as a keepsake.

All participants are expected to attend all events on the title weekend. We feel that attending all social activities outside of the competitive categories is important for the titles experience.

**IMPORTANT:** A dancer may only compete for one National Title on the Titles Competition Weekend; the Dance Machine ANDC & Boogie Fever USA title competition categories will overlap with scheduling for the 2025 National Titles Competition Weekend.

**NEW IN SUMMER 2025:** We will offer "Optional" photogenic categories at the National Title Competition. There will be two photogenic divisions: Headshot and Dance Pose/Action Shot. Entry Instructions will be included with the Final Schedule Information. We are excited to offer this by Popular Request! This is Optional and will not factor into the overall score for national title winners!

The next page gives a description of each category and the attire needed. It is important to read this carefully so you are aware, prepared, and organized for a smooth title competition experience.

## **NATIONAL TITLES COMPETITION INFORMATION:**

**INTERVIEW:** This is the chance for the Judges to get to know the contestant on a personal level and learn their interests as dancers and outside of dance. Church/Business Dress and contestant #. You will be given your # at Check-In. Express your personal style, keeping in mind that this is a Role Model for the Season.

**CLASS:** Ladies Leotard & Tights. Gentleman Tank or T-Shirt with Shorts or Pants. Any Solid Colors are Acceptable...please avoid Patterns or florescent colors. All wear Jazz Style Shoes (Closed Toe Recommended), you may accessorize but keep in mind you will be taking class when making these choices. Class will be a Jazz Style with center work, progressions, and a combination performed for the Judges. Wear your # for this category. This is a class so hair out of face, look professional, and arrive focused.

**SELF-INTRODUCTION:** In this category, contestants will introduce themselves and answer a question. For this category, contestants will wear the National Title T-shirt. The final information and schedule will include what to wear with the T-shirt and when this category will take place. The most important part of this category is following the given instructions.

**RED CARPET PARTY:** Wear a Fun outfit that expresses your personal style for a festive evening on the Red Carpet. Wear your #. Each contestant will be officially introduced and we will take your picture as you walk The Red Carpet. The evening will include mingling, desserts, and dancing with a super fun surprise. Photos from the Red Carpet Party will be on the Dakiki App.

**SOLO ROUTINE:** Your Solo Costume, you do not have to wear your # in this category. Judges' tablets will keep them on the correct Title Contestant during the Solo Division. After you perform your solo keep your solo costume on...there will be a Parade of Contestants after each Age Division.

**AWARDS GALA/CEREMONY:** Formal Attire, Dress to Impress, however there is no Judging in the formal attire so do not spend a lot of money on the formal attire. It is just fun to dress up for the title awards gala. Wear your # for the awards gala.

We suggest your guests look nice too...you never know when there will be a Picture Opportunity and everyone wants to look nice. The Gala will be a very dressy/classy occasion.

## **TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

## Thursday July 17th

Interviews @ The Yadkin Valley Events Center, Self-Introduction & The Pink Party @ The Block

Friday July 18th

Classes @ Studio 68, Red Carpet Party @ The Bassment

Saturday July 19th

Solos & Awards Gala @ The John A. Walker Center