

NBTA 2026

Massachusetts State Championships, Connecticut State Championships, Miss Majorette of CT & “Luck of the Irish” Open Contest

Saturday March 7, 2026
Holyoke High School



NBTA Sanctioned Event: #'s 252681, 252682, 2526117, 2526118

ENTRY DEADLINE: February 7, 2026 (no late entries)

See “ENTRY INSTRUCTIONS” on next page

GENERAL INFORMATION

- **Directors:** Mollie Dion and Joanne Seriac Dion
 - **Mailing:** Joanne Dion - PO Box 92 - West Springfield, MA 01090
 - **E-mail:** MAstatebaton2026@gmail.com
- **Contest Location:** Holyoke High School (500 Beech Street - Holyoke, MA)
- **Time:** Doors Open: 8:15am; Contest Begins: 9:00am
- **Facility Fee:** \$25 Facility Fee (FF) per contestant (1 per immediate family). A contestant is a solo or team member.
- **Refunds:** The contest directors reserve the right to reschedule and/or cancel competition due to extreme weather conditions, Holyoke High School weather policies, and/or other extenuating circumstances. In the case of such an event, entries will be credited to rescheduled event and will not be refunded. The contest directors are not responsible for outside costs related to contest reschedule/cancellation including, but not limited to, travel, lodging, etc.
- **Other:**
 - Rules/Judging: NBTA International, Inc. rules apply. The judges' decisions are final.
 - All contestants, parents, and spectators should conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner at all times.
 - Video taping only of your own student/child. No flash photography.
 - No cooking on school grounds or outside food per order of school rules.
 - Parents are responsible for any damage to the school building or grounds.
 - Contest director, staff, and School/Town are not responsible for loss, accidents, or injury.
 - Contestants must be at lane assignment or face disqualification without refund.
 - \$25 fee for all returned checks.



CONTEST INFORMATION & ONLINE ENTRY
INSTRUCTIONS CAN BE FOUND ON NEXT PAGE

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CONTEST INFORMATION

- **Order of Events:** (Contest Directors reserve the right to alter schedule for contest efficiency)
 - Model
 - Teams/Rhythmic/Show Twirls/College & High School Events
 - Marching/Solo Events
 - Awards
- **Music:**
 - Contestants who perform to individual music will be contacted with submission details.
 - We suggest contestants have a backup in case of technical difficulties
- **Double Entering:** Double Entering is NOT ALLOWED in official state events. Double entering is NOT ALLOWED in multi-event pageant categories. Double Entering IS ALLOWED in open events only.
- **Modeling Events:**
 - Best Appearing: Costume Only; No Interview
 - Queen: Adv Model in Dress, All others Model in Costume; Interview in All Divisions
 - Multi-Event Pageant: Adv Model in Dress, All others Model in Costume; Interview in All Divisions
- **Special Solo:**
 - Athlete has never won 1st in a solo. Win does not count towards advancement.
- **AYOP NATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS** (All current NBTA Rules regarding eligibility apply)
 - Top 8 Adv State Solo winners are eligible to compete at AYOP in the NBTA National Majorette Championships.
 - Top 3 State Adv Rhythmic Twirl winners are eligible to compete at AYOP in the National & World Open Rhythmic Twirl Championships
 - Miss Majorette of CT winners & Miss Majorette Royalty (2nd -3rd place) in each age division become eligible to compete in the Miss Majorette of America Pageant at NBTA International’s AYOP. Please see 2026 NBTA International rules for any pass down exceptions.
 - Qualifiers should contact directors if the **will not** attend AYOP. Directors will notify next eligible.
 - Beginner & Intermediate CT pageant 1st place winners become eligible to compete in the Beginner & Intermediate Pageant at NBTA International’s AYOP. Please see 2026 NBTA International rules for pass down exceptions
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ENTRY INSTRUCTIONS

- **INDIVIDUAL ENTRY - ONLINE FORM:** <https://form.jotform.com/260054669443056>
- PAYMENT ACCEPTED: Check, Bank Check or Money Order Only (Payable to Joanne Dion)
 - **Mail to:** Joanne Dion/Mollie Dion - PO Box 92 - West Springfield, MA 01090
 - **Payments must be postmarked by Saturday Feb 7, 2026**
 - Entry will not be processed until payment is received
- **GROUP ENTRY - PAPER ENTRY**
 - PAYMENT ACCEPTED: Check, Bank Check or Money Order Only (Payable to Joanne Dion)
 - **Mail to:** Joanne Dion/Mollie Dion - PO Box 92 - West Springfield, MA 01090
 - **Group Entries and Payments must be postmarked by Saturday Feb 7, 2026**
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GROUP ENTRY

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Team _____

Director _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Phone _____

One group per section. Use additional forms if you have more than 6 groups. Be sure to indicate State or Open.

Group Name Circle: State Open # of Members Cost (\$10 per)	Dance Twirl Twirl Team Halftime Pom Pon Danceline	<input type="checkbox"/> Small (4-8) <input type="checkbox"/> Large (9-13) <input type="checkbox"/> X-Lg (14+) <input type="checkbox"/> Adv <input type="checkbox"/> Beg	<input type="checkbox"/> Kinder (0-5.9) <input type="checkbox"/> Primary (6-8.9) <input type="checkbox"/> Youth (9-11.9) <input type="checkbox"/> Junior (12-14.9) <input type="checkbox"/> Senior (15+) <input type="checkbox"/> College (19+)	School Grps Jr High DT Jr High 1/2 Sr High DT Sr High 1/2 Collegiate	Corps Twirling Show w/Prop Show w/Scenery Parade <input type="checkbox"/> _____	Adv Beg Sm (10) Lg (11-20) XL (21+)
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Please include a list of group members, birthdates, ages, team level status, and Soloist/Team Only on a separate sheet.

All “Team Only” Contestants must submit the Athlete Waiver on the following page. Soloists will complete waiver with online entry.

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CONTEST WAIVER AND RELEASE FOR "TEAM ONLY" ATHLETES

In order for the Contest Directors ("Directors") to accept the entry of the undersigned for the March 7th MA/CT State, CT Miss Majorette, and "Luck of the Irish" Open Competition ("March 7th Contest"), I, the undersigned, hereby release the Directors from any and all liability for any action or failure to act in connection with the Directors' sponsorship, management, administration, and supervision of the March 7th Contest. In further consideration of acceptance of this entry, the undersigned hereby agrees to indemnify and hold Directors harmless from any and all liability in connection therewith. The undersigned further consents to the photography and/or filming of performances at the March 7th Contest and hereby grants the Directors, their successors and assigns, unlimited rights to the use of such photographs and/or film. Further the undersigned agrees to all contest policies and rules set out in this brochure and absolves the directors, staff, building owner, and university, from any and all obligations and liabilities arising from this March 7th Contest.

Signature (Athlete 18+):_____ Date:_____

Name (Athlete 18+ - Please Print):_____

I represent that I am the parent/guardian of the entering athlete, a minor under 18 years of age, and in order for the Contest Directors ("Directors") to accept the entry of said athlete, I, on behalf of the minor athlete and myself individually, hereby release the March 7th MA/CT State, CT Miss Majorette, and "Luck of the Irish" Open Competition ("March 7th Contest") Contest Directors from any and all liability for any action or failure to act in connection with the Contest Directors' sponsorship, management, administration, and supervision of March 7th Contest. I further agree to indemnify and hold Contest Directors harmless from any and all liability in connection therewith. In the event that my minor athlete should bring any action against the Contest Directors, I agree to indemnify and hold such directors free of any liability and agree to be responsible for any attorney's fees or costs which the parties might incur in the connection with their defense of any claim brought by said minor athlete and his/her duly appointed guardian. In addition, I consent to the photography and/or filming of performances at the March 7th Contest of my minor athlete and hereby grant the Contest Directors, their successors and assigns, unlimited rights to the use of such photographs and/or film. Further I agree to all contest policies and rules set out in this brochure and absolve the directors, staff, building owner, and university, from any and all obligations and liabilities arising from this March 7th Event.

Athlete Name(Please Print):_____

Signature of Athlete's Parent/Guardian:_____ Date:_____

Name of Parent/Guardian(Please Print):_____