Aidan James Shields (AJ)

Media: Available on Instagram @aidanjamesshields

Resides: Dana Point California

Born: April 25, 2011, Los Feliz California

Parents: Myla Shields 818.441.9232 & Greg Shields 323.270.4466

Objective:

To attend the award-winning Orange County School of the Arts (OCSA) in the 2023-2024 school year.

Interests:

Family and friends and a broad range of pursuits that includes the Arts, Reading, Writing, Sewing, Computer Programing, Science & Engineering, Swimming, Stand Up Paddle Boarding, Gymnastics, Camping, Hiking, and Track & Field.

Musical Interests Include:

The Beatles, AJR, Dua Lipa, Doja Cat, Steely Dan, Halsey, Queen, Journey, Mamas & the Papas, Earth Wind & Fire, and Eminem to name a few.

Academics:

Consistently tested nationally in the 99-percentile in STAR Math, Reading & Literacy Assessments. Utilized American sign language as an infant to communicate and began to read at 18 months. Straight "A" student throughout the entire academic career

Summary:

AJ is a responsible and compassionate individual who takes direction and thrives on stage.

Dance Performances:

September 17, 2022, Segerstrom Center for the Arts (SCFTA) National Dance Day

Invited to perform in both group and solo performances

July 07, 2022, Laguna Beach Cultural Arts Center performance with the Sandrine Mattei Ballet and Contemporary Dance Program

 Invited by Cirque du Soleil solo artist Sandrine Mattei to join her and others in an exceptional group of six gifted and accomplished friends in an Artwalk dance showcase.

Dance Training & Competitions

2022 to Present - HIP HOP

• Private instructional classes with Kai Cameron

2021 to Present - Ballet Academy & Movement (BAM) San Clemente, CA

Amanda Cobb Director

KAR Kids Artistic Revue National Dance Competition (June 3-5, 2022, Redondo Beach CA)

- Elite Top First Place Hip-Hop Solo "Let's Go" Choreography Ade Obayomi
- Mr. Junior Dance Hip-Hop Solo "Let's Go" Choreography Ade Obayomi
- 9th Overall High Point Award Hip-Hop Solo "Let's Go" Choreography Ade Obayomi
- Top First Place Contemporary Solo "Burn" Choreography Sandrine Mattei
- Top First Place Group Dance "Big Bang BAM" Choreography Amanda Cobb

Velocity National Dance Competition (April 8-10, 2022, Anaheim CA)

- 3rd Place Hip-Hop Solo "*Let's Go*" Choreography Ade Obayomi
- High Gold Hip-Hop Solo "Let's Go" Choreography Ade Obayomi
- High Gold Dance Group "Big Bang BAM" Choreography Amanda Cobb

Showstoppers National Dance Competition (February 18-21, 2022, Anaheim CA)

- Double Platinum 1st Place Contemporary Solo "Burn" Choreography Sandrine Mattei
- Double Platinum 1st Place Hip-Hop Solo "Let's Go" Choreography Ade Obayomi
- Platinum 1st Place Dance Group "Big Bang BAM" Choreography Amanda Cobb
- 1st Place Overall Dance Group "Big Bang BAM" Choreography Amanda Cobb
- 15th Place Overall Contemporary Solo "Burn" Choreography Sandrine

Youth America Grand Prix International Ballet Competition (January 20-23, 2022, LA)

- Top 12 Overall Contemporary Solo "Burn" Choreography Sandrine Mattei
- Diploma of Achievement Invitation to join summer Intensive at Ballet West

Dance Training & Competitions (Continued)

2019/2021 - South Coast Conservatory (SCC) Laguna Niguel, CA

• Jena Minnick-Bull Director

Hollywood Connection National Finals (Jun 2021 San Diego CA)

- 1st Place Hip-Hop Small Group "Dancers Delight" Choreography Krystal Wioskowski
- Titanium Hip-Hop Small Group "Dancers Delight" Choreography Krystal Wioskowski

Countdown National Dance Competition (May 2021 Costa Mesa CA)

- 2nd Place Overall Hip-Hop Small Group "Dancers Delight" Choreography Krystal W
- Platinum Hip-Hop Small Group "Dancers Delight" Choreography Krystal Wioskowski

Nuvo National Dance Competition (May 2021 Phoenix AZ)

• Hip-Hop Small Group "Dancers Delight" Choreography Krystal Wioskowski

Hollywood Connection National Dance Competition (May 2021 Anaheim CA)

• Titanium Hip-Hop Small Group "Dancers Delight" Choreography Krystal Wioskowski

Celebrity National Dance Competition Regional Tour (April 2021 San Diego)

- 2nd Place Overall Hip-Hop Small Group "Dancers Delight" Choreography Krystal W
- Platinum Hip-Hop Small Group "Dancers Delight" Choreography Krystal Wioskowski

Showbiz National Talent Competition (Mar 2021 San Diego)

• Platinum Hip-Hop Small Group "Dancers Delight" Choreography Krystal Wioskowski

Spotlight National Dance Competition (Feb 2020 Redondo Beach CA) Performing Arts Center

- 1st Place Jazz/Hip-Hop Group "Party Crashers" Choreography Ashley Korngold
- "Mr. Photogenic" Spotlight Award Winner

SCC Winter Dance Festival (Dec 2019 Mission Viejo CA)

Musical Theater "The Gift"

SCC Summer Dance Festival (June 2019 Laguna Niguel CA)

• Lion King HIP-HOP Review / Intermission raffle presenter turns showman with SCC Director

2015

Age 4

Music & Theater Background

School Talent Show:		
2019 Apr	Age 8	Piano & Hip-Hop Solo "Bum Bum Tam Tam" Choreography AJ Shields
2018 Apr	Age 7	Hip-Hop Solo "Kissing Strangers" Choreography AJ Shields
Voice:		
2022	Age 11	Church Choir Soloist
2018 present	Age 7	Church Choir Member
<u>Drums:</u>		
2022 present	Age 11	Drum Lessons – Instructor Ryan Badie
2021	Age 10	Drum Lessons – Instructor James Silva
<u>Piano:</u>		
2019 Feb	Age 8	Piano Recital - Instructor Ann Fields
2018 May	Age 7	Piano Recital - Instructor Ann Fields
2017 Apr	Age 6	Piano Recital - Instructor Ann Fields
Stage Productions:		
2019	Age 8	Once on this Island Jr. (St Edward School Play) Ensemble
2018	Age 7	Harry Potter (The Center Stage Studio)
2017 Apr	Age 6	Hair Spray (Performer's Academy) Played Wilbur (the father)

Graphic Arts 2016 Age 5 Original work selected and exhibited in the Junior Art Gallery of the Laguna Beach Festival of Arts 2016 Age 5 Original work selected and awarded Certificate of Achievement by Arts Orange County and the Orange County Department

Grease (Performer's Academy) Played Sonny (T-Birds)

of Education 2016-2017 Imagination Celebration