

**THE AILEY SCHOOL**  
**PRE-PROFESSIONAL TRAINING PROGRAM**  
**ACADEMIC YEAR 2022-2023**  
**DRESS CODE**

**ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS**

It has been a challenging time for everyone, but reinstating our dress code allows us a sense of familiarity to our beloved school. We foster an inclusive community and we want to make sure our students are at ease with their dance attire. Also, if you are having extra difficulty this year in acquiring the dress code, please reach out to us at [juniordivisionparent@alvinailey.org](mailto:juniordivisionparent@alvinailey.org) for further assistance.

**COVID-19: Due to strict safety and social distancing guidelines, the changing rooms are not accessible. Students must wear dance clothes underneath their street clothes. Masks must be worn AT ALL TIMES when in the Ailey building and during class.**

The Ailey Boutique is closed at this time, but the dress code can be purchased in our online retail website, [aileydancewear.com](http://aileydancewear.com). Please allow for a few days for items to be mailed to you. Our students will not miss any classes due to delays in receiving shipped items.

**Dress Code Descriptions Below**

**Hair:**

- Long hair must be in a bun, pinned, clipped or tied securely away from the neck and face. No bangs, loose or hanging hair.
- Short hair must be neatly trimmed.

**Extra Note:**

- Jewelry is NOT permitted in class
- No bare midriffs, cut out shirts, or loose/baggy clothing
- Fingernails must be kept short and neat

**GIRLS ATTIRE:**

**Level Colors of Leotards –**

**Level III – ROYAL BLUE**

**Level IV – NAVY BLUE**

**Level V – BLACKBERRY (New color)**

**Level VI/VII – BLACK or WHITE**

<b>BALLET</b>	<b>WEST AFRICAN</b>	<b>HORTON LIMÓN CONTEMPORARY</b>	<b>JAZZ</b>
Level Color Leotard <i>(camisole or tank style; no lace or low cut back)</i>	Level Color Leotard <i>(camisole or tank style; no lace or low cut back)</i>	Level Color Leotard <i>(camisole or tank style; no lace or low cut back)</i>	Level Color Leotard <i>(camisole or tank style; no lace or low cut back)</i>
Neutral tights <i>(must completely cover the foot; convertible preferred)</i>	Neutral tights <i>(convertible preferred to roll up for bare feet)</i>	Black Footless Tights <i>(convertible preferred)</i>	Black Tights <i>(convertible preferred)</i>
Neutral or pink ballet shoes <i>(canvas or leather)</i>	Lappa <i>(African printed fabric)</i>		Black Jazz Shoes <i>(no sneakers)</i>

**BOYS ATTIRE:**

<b>BALLET</b>	<b>WEST AFRICAN</b>	<b>HORTON LIMÓN CONTEMPORARY</b>	<b>JAZZ</b>
White or Black fitted t-shirt or leotard	White or Black fitted t-shirt or leotard	White or Black fitted t-shirt or leotard	White or Black fitted t-shirt or leotard
Black tights <i>(must completely cover the foot; convertible preferred for bare feet work)</i>	Black tights <i>(convertible preferred for bare feet work)</i>	Black tights <i>(convertible preferred for bare feet work)</i>	Black tights <i>(must completely cover the foot; convertible preferred for bare feet work)</i>
Black Canvas Ballet Shoes	West African Men's Pants		Black Jazz Shoes <i>(no sneakers)</i>