

# QUYNN JOHNSON AUTHOR + TEACHING ARTIST + PERFORMER

Quynn Johnson is an award-winning performing artist best known for her innovative fusion of tap dance, education, and artistry. Quynn is passionate about working with children of all ages. As a performer, Quynn has presented tap dance nationally and internationally including: The John F. Kennedy Center, Lincoln Center on Broadway and International Festivals in Peru and Colombia. As a teaching artist, Quynn explores ways to use dance as a form of positive self expression to empower and inspire creativity. In addition to teaching tap, Quynn teaches tolerance and self respect through her self-published children's book, *Lucky's Tap Dancing Feet*. The book comes to life through *Lucky Live!* a 45-minute interactive show with live tap, projection, and student participation that shares the story of a horse who wants to tap dance, but with four huge feet, faces many challenges!

## SCHOOL ASSEMBLY: WHERE'S YOUR RHYTHM?

The interactive and rhythmic performance shares the traditions and history of the American art form of Tap dance with Quynn's personal journey of perseverance to overcome life challenges. The performance combines dance and music with storytelling to inspire and impact students through rhythmic expression.

**Grade Level:** 1st-8th

**Connections:** History, Dance, and Movement

## SCHOOL RESIDENCY: WHERE'S YOUR RHYTHM?

Teaches kids ways to create their own rhythm with Tap dance. Students learn basic tap steps and explore the elements of dance and music. Team building and collaboration are important principles as they perform their own choreography.

**Grade Level:** 1st-12th

**Connections:** History, Math, Dance, and Movement

## ARTS INTEGRATION RESIDENCY : READING & RHYTHM

Students learn to embody words through the movement of their feet. Tap dance connected to reading principles, adjectives, adverbs, and character traits, offers a deeper understanding.

**Grade level:** 3rd-12th

**Connections:** Dance, Literacy, Teamwork, History

## ARTS INTEGRATION RESIDENCY : TAP MATHEMATICIAN

Students will connect math concepts like addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division with tap dance.

**Grade level:** 3rd-8th

**Connections:** Dance, Math, Teamwork, History

## ASSEMBLY: LUCKY'S TAP & TALES

This storytelling assembly takes students on a journey in Lucky's tap shoes. while introducing students to the importance of basic tap steps and the "Lucky Groove."

**Grade level:** K- 5th

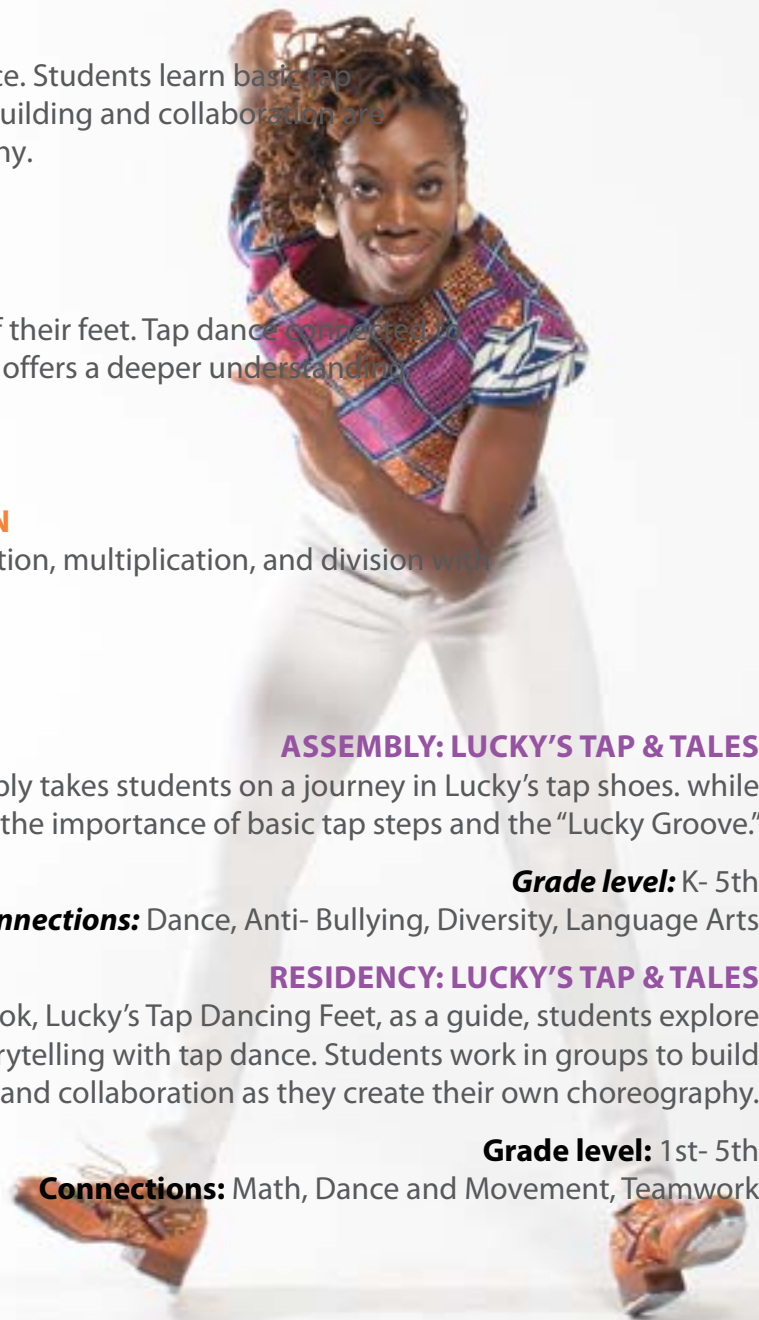
**Connections:** Dance, Anti- Bullying, Diversity, Language Arts

## RESIDENCY: LUCKY'S TAP & TALES

Using the children's book, *Lucky's Tap Dancing Feet*, as a guide, students explore problem solving storytelling with tap dance. Students work in groups to build skills in team work and collaboration as they create their own choreography.

**Grade level:** 1st- 5th

**Connections:** Math, Dance and Movement, Teamwork



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