

"Where Music Functions As A Bridge Between Grade 1 ELA Standards And Student Achievement"

What?

Mr. Dennis Michael Egan, Jr., a.k.a., "Teacher DJ," developed this **unique K-2 assembly experience**. The curriculum is grade 1 content; however, the assemblies are intentionally structured to be able to enrich younger students while remediating older ones. Students participating will sing in melodic ways in order to advance in a **hierarchical** process from key words toward complete sentences. This 30 minute experience is facilitated by presenting the story-song, "**Buddy The Funny Bear**," which was written using a national grade 1 vocabulary list and integrates the following standards:

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RF.1.2: Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes).

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RF.1.2.B: Orally produce single-syllable words by blending sounds (phonemes), including consonant blends.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RF.1.3.A: Know the spelling-sound correspondences for common consonant digraphs.

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Why?

Research strongly suggests that reading skills can be supported through musical activities. Our assembly workshops stimulate **each student's innate passion for knowledge**, while supporting their enjoyment of developing stronger reading skills!

How?

View our updated promotional video (< 5 minutes) at http://www.michiganassemblies.com and then contact the MAC administrative team for booking: 313.580.8181 or mrdennisegan@outlook.com.

NOTE: **Pricing is based on a pay-it-forward model**; therefore, any dollar amount will be appreciated!

Sources: http://www.corestandards.org/ https://www.clker.com https://openclipart.org