

## REQUEST THIS ARTIST

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#### **DETAILS**

- Available to Grades 4-6
- 60-90 minute session (single class)
- 6 week series available (one visit per week)
- Final performance
- Curriculum connections are adapted to specific grade levels, subjects, & learning objectives.
- Social Emotional Learning (SEL) is incorporated into every lesson.

### MATERIALS NEEDED

- Classroom space
- Whiteboard
- Small Copying Budget



# ASHA BURSON-JOHNSON Theater Artist

## **About Asha**

Having taught drama in schools for over 30 years, Asha has a deep appreciation for the way this process allows students to grow and also gives teachers new tools to connect with the curriculum to enhance learning. Asha believes this work to be both important and inspiring and is happy to bring her experience to Clallam County.

# **Program Experience**

This residency gives students an opportunity to learn the basics of drama through interactive experiences, improvisation, and story dramatization. The deeper goal is to allow students to grow in self-confidence and personal expression in a safe and fun environment. There is an emphasis on both play and honing self-discipline as an "actor" that will enhance all life experiences while discovering and acquiring new skills.

## **Curriculum Connections**

**Social Studies**: Drama brings historical events to life! Students can reenact historical events, portray historical figures, or participate in simulations to better understand historical contexts.

**Literacy**: Enhance literacy skills by encouraging students to read, write, and perform scripts. Students can create their own scripts, adapt stories into plays, or perform scenes from literature they are studying.

**Language Development & Public Speaking:** Improve communication skills through the practice of speaking clearly, listening actively, and responding appropriately in different situations.

**Creative Writing**: Drama encourages creative writing. Students can write their own monologues, dialogues, or short scenes, which can be performed individually or as a group.