

TO MAKE THE MOST OF MY VISIT TO YOUR SCHOOL:

- Read my books to your students in advance
 - Refer to the teacher guides for conversation starters & curriculum tie-ins
 - Encourage students to prepare their questions in advance
- Encourage crafts, art projects, readers' theaters, book-inspired writing projects, kindness challenges, fundraising efforts—anything that deepens reader connection.
- With your students, read or watch interviews with me about my books and my process
- Offer pre-order sales of my books that can be autographed in person. You can order my books (usually at discount) from local bookstores or directly from my publishers. You can pass along your savings to student buyers or use the sales as a fundraiser. For orders that arrive after my visit, I'd be happy to mail autographed bookplates. See the pre-formatted book order form on my website.
- Have students seated and ready for my presentation BEFORE the scheduled starting time so that we don't lose important Q&A time.
- Have teachers present throughout the presentations to monitor student behavior. The shared experience also provides opportunity for concept reinforcement.

Watch illustrator Daniel Minter demonstrate his linoleum block print art process for *Step Right Up: How Doc and Jim Key Taught the World About Kindness*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=af-uifTYSeg&t=145s> (also on TeacherTube)

Watch the book trailer for *Abraham Lincoln's Dueling Words*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ztZzEp7mZs> (also on TeacherTube)

Be aware that there is an audiobook version of Abraham Lincoln's *Dueling Words* also available from Amazon, Audible, Recorded Books, and other sources.

EQUIPMENT AND LOGISTICAL NEEDS:

- A room large enough to physically and visually accommodate the student groups.
- Table at the front where I can place my materials
- A computer, projector, and screen. I will bring my presentation on a USB/flash drive. If I need to use my MacBook Pro, please provide tech assistance to ensure proper connection.
- Microphone—(please help me protect my voice)
- Advance notice of traffic or parking concerns, lunch arrangements (if any), or other considerations that I should be aware of.

Please note that video recording is not allowed.