STORY TIME RESOURCES

BEE DANCE

STORY TIME DESCRIPTION
Would you like to learn how to dance like a bee? You can learn this figure-eight dance move by bee’s called a waggle dance in *Bee Dance* by Rick Chrystowski. Let’s follow the foraging bees as they search for food and return to the hive to share the news with the other bees in a honeybee dance!

HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES
- **Bee Crafts**: Take a look at these [34 bee crafts for kids](#).
- **Virginia Ag in the Class**: Virginia Agriculture in the Class has a collection of hands-on activities and lessons about pollination. Download and print this [pollination packet](#).
- **Mini Beast Hunt**: Grab a clipboard, pencil, and print this [mini beast (insect) hunt](#).

OTHER HELPFUL RESOURCES
- **Buzz About Bees**: Visit [www.buzzaboutbees.net](http://www.buzzaboutbees.net) for links to articles about bees, list of ways to help bees, and a list of friendly flowers and shrubs that will attract pollinators to your yard.
- **National Geographic Kids** [www.kids.nationalgeographic.com/animals/honeybee](http://www.kids.nationalgeographic.com/animals/honeybee) Information, fun facts, visuals, and videos on honey bees
- **Bee Books and More**: Visit [https://growingbookbybook.com/childrens-books-about-bees/](https://growingbookbybook.com/childrens-books-about-bees/) site for links to bee related books and activities, service projects and more.
- **Helping Pollinators**: Here’s a great article called [5 Things Kids can do to Help Pollinators](#) and take a look at this [pollinator-week toolkit](#) to learn about national pollinator week (June 21-27) ways to celebrate, participate and get involved.

WATCH A VIDEO
- **All about the Bee Dance**: Here’s a great PBS video from Sid the Science Kid called [All about the Bee Dance](#).
- **Learn About Honeybees**: This video called [Kids Learn Why Bees Awesome](#) by National Geographic explains the importance of honeybees and how they are vital to the world’s food supply.
- **Spring Apiary Check-In**: Take a look at this [video](#) of our weekly check-in with Children’s Garden Educator Kelsey as she inspects the hives located in the Bob Stapleton & Keith Tignor Apiary, adjacent to the Community Kitchen Garden at Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden.
RELATED CHILDREN’S BOOKS

- *Buzzing with Questions: The Inquisitive Mind of Charles Henry Turner* by Janice H. Harrington
- *What if There Were No Bee’s?* by Suzanne Slade
- *Hank’s Big Day: The Story of a Bug* by Evan Kuhlman
- *The Thing About Bee’s: A Love Letter* by Shabzz Larkin
- *What if There Were No Bees?* by Suzanne Slade
- *The Honey Makers* by Gail Gibbons
- *Honeybees Busy Day* by Richard Fowler
- *Being a Bee* by Jinny Johnson and Lucy Davey
- *I Am a Bee: A Book About Bees for Kids* by Rebecca McDonald
- *Explore My World: Honey Bees* by Jill Esbaum
- *If You Love Honey: Nature’s Connection* by Martha Sullivan
- *The Honeybee* by Kirsten Hall
- *In the Trees Honey Bees* by Lori Mortensen
- *The Reason for a Flower: A Book About Flowers, Pollen, and Seeds* by Ruth Heller
- *What is Pollination?* by Bobbie Kalman
- *Animal Pollinators* by Jennifer Boothroyd