

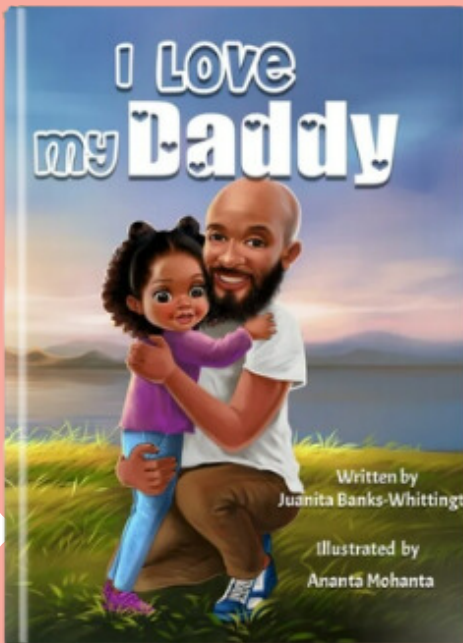


*Juanita Banks-Whittington*

CHILDREN'S BOOK AUTHOR, FOUNDER AND CEO OF  
DIVERSE CHILDRENS BOOK MATTERS



**I am Juanita Banks-Whittington, an award-winning children's book author, Army veteran, social worker, and diversity practitioner. I specialize in writing children's books that highlight positive relationships and bridge diversity gaps, aiming to introduce young minds to a future where they feel seen and represented within the pages of my books.**



**I Love  
my Daddy**

**is a heartwarming  
children's book that  
explores the special bond  
between a little girl and her  
father.**

## **Benefits for Young Readers:**

- **Promotes Early Literacy**
- **Encourages Parent-Child Reading**
- **Embraces Diverse Cultures**
- **Emphasizes Positive Relationships**

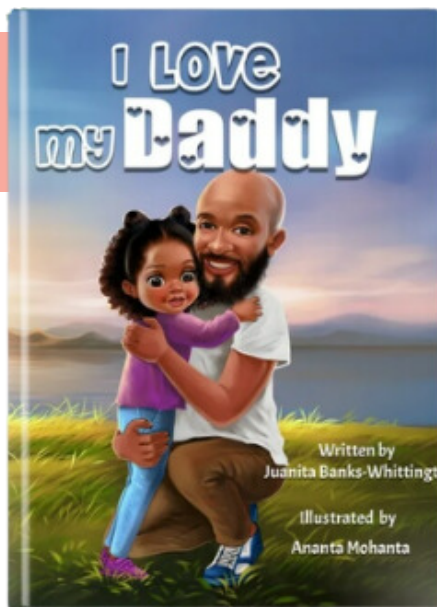


# AWARDS



**Michelle Obama Awards Honoree**





# REVIEWS

The meaning of the story truly defines the relationship between Mrs. Whittington's daughter and her dad. This story portrays the true love that a father has for a daughter. We highly recommend this story for any daddy/daughter duo.

**- Right Start Academy**

It's a simple story, beautifully illustrated, about the bond between a young child and her father. The audience thoroughly enjoyed the experience of meeting an author!

**- Deborah Wood | Ph.D. | Executive Director of Chesapeake Children's Museum, Annapolis, Maryland**

This book is perfect for: Children of all ages Parents who want to share their love of reading with their children. Anyone who loves a good story about the power of love.

**- Story Time with Ms. Hill | Educator & CDA PDS**

I am happy to share that we included your book in the selection of children's books our teachers could choose from, and "I Love My Daddy" was one of the three most highly requested books by teachers.

**- Jennifer Mata-McMahon | Associate Professor, Early Childhood Education Director, Sherman Center**

"A positive model of parenthood that affirms the importance of a father's care and attention."

**- Kirkus Reviews**

The story includes the games and new activities she learns from her father. It explores the dynamics of the family and focuses on the father's role in his daughter's everyday life.

A lovely depiction of a father's love, I Love My Daddy by Juanita Banks-Whittington is a delightful story with relevant scenes and essential themes. Highly recommended.

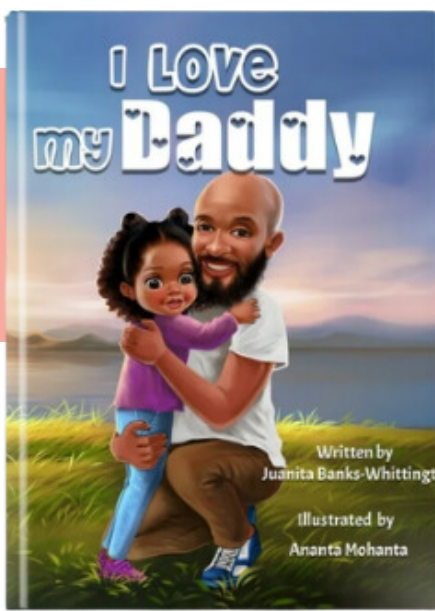
**- Reader's Favorite**

I love the kids and a good children's book is always amazing. This is an easy read so the kids can join in every night.

**- Tabitha Brown | Actress /Emmy Award Winning Host | CO-Founder/CEO of Donna's Recipe**







# BOOK READING REVIEWS

We were thrilled to welcome Juanita at Cecil Elementary. Her visit turned out to be a delightful experience for both students and teachers. Her book, "I Love My Daddy," captivated everyone with its heartfelt story and beautiful illustrations, clearly resonating with the children's own experiences and emotions. What made the day even more special was the author's generous decision to read two additional books, adding layers of joy and engagement to the event. After the readings, the air was filled with laughter and energy as the students participated in dancing and singing activities. Her visit was a beautiful reminder of the power of storytelling and its ability to bring us together. We are deeply grateful for such a memorable day and look forward to more inspiring visits in the future".

**-Brittney Watson**

**Community School Coordinator**

Ms. Juanita brought pure magic to our kindergarten classes with her book 'I Love My Daddy.' The children were absolutely captivated by her storytelling!

Not only did she share her wonderful book, but she also brought along a fun coloring activity and goodies for the kids to take home. It was a delightful experience for everyone involved.

Thank you, Ms. Juanita, for spreading joy and creativity in our classroom!

**-Mrs. Anna Greene**

**Literacy Teacher**

**Brooklyn Park Elementary**

Mrs. Banks-Whittington came to our Montessori child care center as a special guest reader/author for our children aged 3-5 years old. Mrs. Banks-Whittington read her book aloud with expression and different tones of voice in order to capture and keep the attention of our young listeners! She engaged the children with the story by asking them questions that encouraged participation and that helped the children to relate to the story! Our center is very diverse, and we were excited to be able to welcome a guest that celebrates and showcases diversity through wonderful words and illustrations! The book is visually appealing and relatable to children, so it was a big hit!!

**-Bambini Montessori Academy**





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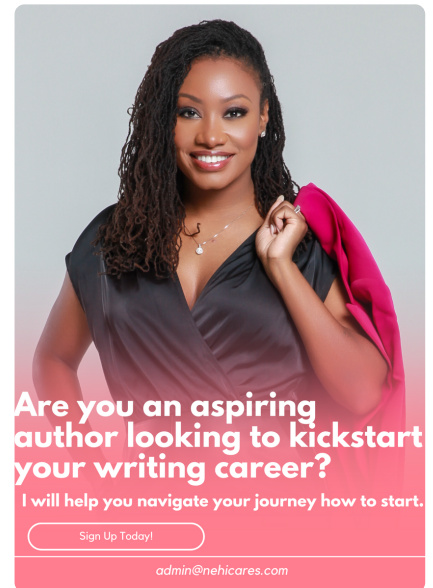
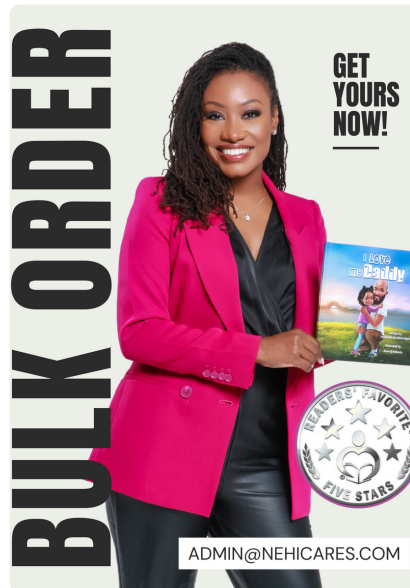
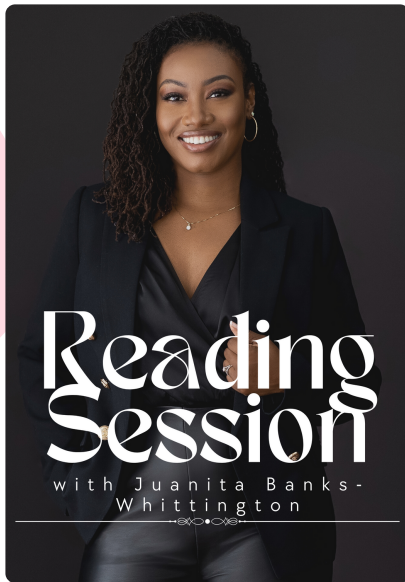


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