

Title: Bodies Are Cool Author: Tyler Feder Illustrator: Tyler Feder Imprint: Rocky Pond Press Publisher: Penguin Young

Readers

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(Recommended by School

Library Journal)

# **BOOK RESUME: BODIES ARE COOL**

### **BOOK SYNOPSIS**

From the acclaimed creator of *Dancing at the Pity Party* and Roaring Softly, this picture book is a pure celebration of all the different human bodies that exist in the world. Highlighting the various skin tones, body shapes, and hair types is just the beginning in this truly inclusive book. With its joyful illustrations and encouraging refrain, it will instill body acceptance and confidence in the youngest of readers. "My body, your body, every different kind of body! All of them are good bodies! BODIES ARE COOL!"

#### **REVIEWS AND PRAISE**

"A bustling celebration of body positivity that lovingly features bodies, skin, and hair of all kinds... Feder chooses clear and unapologetic language to describe body characteristics, challenging the negative connotations that are often attached to those bodies... Depicting societally marginalized human bodies in all their joyful, normal glory, this book is cool." —*Kirkus*, starred review

"With such a joyfully inclusive range of humans, all taking part in community and taking pleasure in each other's company, it's hard to imagine a stronger statement of body affirmation and pride." —Publishers Weekly, starred review

"[T]his unabashed promotion of body positivity packs a punch and reminds readers to respect and love every body—including their own. This is a timely message with universal applications." —Booklist, starred review

"With colorful pages of people in all shapes and sizes, this book both serves as a joyous read-aloud for small and large groups and as a book for individual study and discovery... With lilting dancelike rhythm through word repetition and brightly colored detailed images, this is a timely and worthy addition for every collection." —School Library Journal, starred review

"Feder's rhyming text and double-page spreads filled with all kinds of people celebrate the variety of our physical attributes. The joy-filled cartoon illustrations pack a lot of bodies into the settings (e.g., subway car, pool, backyard barbecue) and offer plenty to consider." —Horn Book

#### AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

- An ALA RISE: A Feminist Book Project List Pick
- An ALA ALSC Notable selection

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- An ALA Rainbow List Top Ten selection
- A Wisconsin Picture This! Reading List selection
- A Texas 2x2 Reading List selection
- An Illinois Monarch Book Award selection
- A Michigan MISelf in Books selection

## **MEDIA AND RESOURCES**

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