

## “Artist in Residence” program with Nani Agbeli

(Open to Districts 203 & 204 students)

November 2-6

Nani Agbeli directs Woezo which gives workshops and performances in traditional drumming and dancing from all tribes in Ghana, West Africa. Classes are also offered in batik making. He is a native of the Ewe's in the Volta Region of Ghana. He received his drum and dance training from his father, Godwin K. Agbeli who was the chairman of the National Folkloric Company at the Arts Council of Ghana.

Nani has performed with and led the cultural group Sankofa Root II in Ghana where they have received many awards. He has been the drum and dance instructor at the Dagbe Cultural Center in Kopeyia, Ghana for 9 years. Schools such as Berklee College of Music, Tufts University, Bowling Green University etc. attend the Dagbe Cultural Center to study. Nani has also been a guest artist at the University of Legon in Ghana, Edna Manley School of Dance, Music, Textile and Performing in Jamaica, Berklee College of Music and Tufts University in Boston and University of Virginia, etc. Nani currently lives in Madison, Wisconsin where he directs and instructs classes and workshops.

