**Theme: ARTS**

**Activity Introduction:** **Responding to the Arts:** Families can mimic dance moves, and discuss what makes dance a language all its own. Families will experience the power of dance as a means of artistic expression.

**TC Activity 4: Grades 6-12**

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| Activity Objective: | Families will connect and respond to the Alvin Ailey Dance company performance Revelations |
| Resources Needed: | Watch the Alvin Ailey Dance Company perform *Revelations.*  Any device that has access to Youtube.  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uAGFJCW_Toc> |
| Directions: | 1. Find a place where the family can sit together and watch the performance 2. If possible, clear space in the room for dancing. 3. After each dance, clap and cheer and, do one of the following:    1. Discuss how the dance made them feel.    2. Try to mimic some of the dance moves in the performance    3. Discuss the best part of the dance.    4. Discuss how the dance is related to their family histories    5. Discuss the props in the scene and what they represent in the dance    6. Discuss why the props were important to the scene    7. Discuss how the dance reflects a cultural experience in their families    8. Sing the lyrics of the song from the performance.    9. Discuss what the lyrics mean in the song.    10. Discuss why they believe Alvin Ailey named the performance Revelations |