

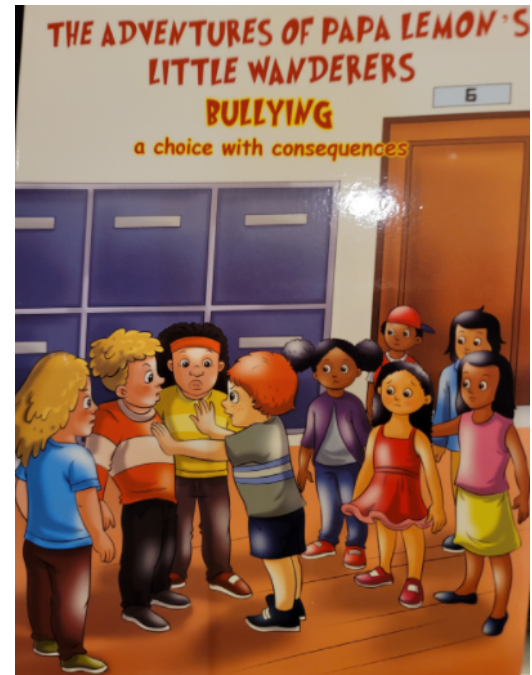
FREE COMMUNITY READS EVENT

Wednesday, June 2, from 6-7:30 p.m.
A Community Connect Event about bullying

Join the community!

- **When:** Wednesday, June 2, from 6-7:30 p.m.
- **Where:** Virtual event
- **Who:** Everyone is invited to this free event
- **What:** Register for the virtual reading event and discussion, and receive the book for free! The event includes:
 - Meet the author; meet student readers and learn about their experience creating a virtual reading; connect with student support services and mental health workers as it relates to services available in response to bullying.

When you register for this free event, you'll receive a FREE copy of *The Adventures of Papa Lemon's Little Wanderers -- Bullying, a Choice with Consequences* and accompanying family discussion guide. In addition, the first 150 to register will also receive *The Adventures of Papa Lemon's Little Wanderers -- Abraham Lincoln and the Battle with Depression*, and the family discussion guide.



About the Author: Lehman Riley used to take summer trips to his grandparents' house. His grandfather, Papa Lemon, fascinated him. While in third grade, he started writing his daydreams about his grandpa and life's lessons into books. Now those daydreams have turned into a series of books focused on real life experiences and utilize a "back in time" train trip to help open discussions between youth and adults. Grandparents are utilized as role models and the characters are multicultural. Books are geared for ages 7 - 13. Lehman has been a guest in many schools, helping students learn the love of writing. Lehman Riley now resides in Minneapolis with his wife, Tracy, children and granddaughter.



Why talk about bullying?

Every three years, the Minnesota Student Survey is conducted across all school districts in the state. The last survey was administered in 2019, and according to its data, 51 percent of Robbinsdale Area School's eighth, ninth and 10th graders reported being bullied. Reasons included physical appearance 29 percent, race, ethnicity or national origin 29 percent and weight 25 percent.

We all can help build a more compassionate and resilient Robbinsdale Area Schools!



Register for the virtual event by scanning the QR code, visiting bit.ly/3eNkPeE, or by calling 763-504-4981.