

Bullying

Books available at the Columbus Metropolitan Library

PICTURE BOOKS

- Bully** by Jennifer Gordon Sattler, 2018 Picture Book SATTLER
When a selfish bullfrog takes over a lily pond, the other residents decide to unite and take action.
(Grades PreK-2)
- Get Up, Stand Up** by Cedella Marley, 2020 Picture Book MARLEY
Children are encouraged to resist bullying and stand up for their rights. (Grades K-2)
- I Walk With Vanessa** by Kerascoët, 2018 Picture Book KERASCOET
An elementary school girl witnesses the bullying of another girl, and decides to stand up for what is right.
(Grades PreK-3)
- My Footprints** by Bao Phi, 2019 Picture Book PHI
Upset after being bullied, Thuy, a Vietnamese American, pretends she is different creatures, including an especially strong, wonderful being made up of her two mothers and herself.
(Grade K-3)
- The Not-So-Friendly Friend** by Christina Furnival, 2021 Picture Book FURNIVAL
How to Set Boundaries for Healthy Friendships
A kind hearted girl who is quick to make new friends discovers that not every classmate will like her. She learns to set boundaries and stay emotionally safe from school bullies. (Grade K-3)
- Speak Up Sami** by Shabana Hussain, 2022. Picture Book HUSSAIN
Sami is a shy boy who has trouble making friends at school. Sometimes the other kids tease Sami making him choose to be quiet and distant from others at school. It is when a new kid, Gamba, starts school and is bullied that Sami knows he can't stay quiet anymore. (Grade K-3)

FICTION

- American as Paneer Pie** by Supriya Kelkar, 2020 J Fiction KELKAR
When a racist incident rocks her small Michigan town, eleven-year-old Lekha must decide whether to speak up or stay silent, even as she struggles to navigate her life at home, where she can be herself, and at school, where she is teased about her culture. (Grades 4-7)
- Black Brother, Black Brother** by Jewell Parker Rhodes, 2020 J Fiction Rhodes
Donte is a biracial boy in a school that is mostly white. He is relentlessly bullied by classmates who wish he looked more like his light-skinned brother. Donte uses the sport of fencing to stand up for himself and challenge school bullies. (Grades 4-7)

- Farah Rocks Fifth Grade** by Susan Muaddo Darraj, 2020 J Fiction DARRAJ
Fifth-grader Farah's world is turned upside down when new girl Dana shows up and starts bullying her younger brother Samir. Determined to handle it on her own, Farah comes up with a plan--a plan that involves lying to those closest to her. (Grades 3-5)
- Mia Mayhem vs. the Super Bully** by Kara West, 2019 J Fiction WEST
Mia is excited about her first super-speed training class, but a bully on her relay team leads her to lose her shadow and, worse, to snap at her friends. (Grades 1-3)
- The Secret Battle of Evan Pao** by Wendy Wan-Long Shang, 2022 J Fiction Wan-Long Shang
Evan Pao is trying to find his place in a new city as a Chinese-American. Kids at his school are determined to not let him fit in to the point of violence. Evan has to make a choice. Will he move forward with the same cruelty or find his own path? (Grades 4-7)

NON-FICTION

- Buckets, Dippers, and Lids: Secrets to Your Happiness**, 2018 by Carol McCloud J 177.7 M127b
This book uses a charming metaphor to help children achieve healthy relationships. It also introduces ways that children can set boundaries when they are faced with negative peer interactions. (Grades K-3)
- Channel Kindness: Stories of Kindness and Community** by Lady Gaga, 2020 T 361.2 Gag
Young people tell their stories of how they overcame bullies and mistreatment. This book emphasizes that simple acts of kindness and empathy can make big changes to the world around us. (Grades 7-12)

TEEN

- Friend Me** by Sheila Averbuch, 2020 T Fiction AVERBUCH
Roisin just moved from Ireland to Boston where she faces intense bullying from a new classmate. Roisin is able to feel better by chatting with an online friend who she later doesn't know if she should have trusted. This gripping thriller explores topics in bullying and cyber-safety. (Grades 8-12)
- This Might Hurt a Bit** by Doogie Horner, 2019 T Fiction HORNER
Relates a seriously bad day in the life of Pennsylvania teenager Kirby Burns, in which he faces dangerous classmates, discovers that a friend is hiding a terrible secret, and grapples with the one-year anniversary of his sister's death. (Grades 9-12)
- The New David Espinoza** by Fred Aceves, 2020 T Fiction ACEVES
Obsessed with the idea that he is not muscular enough and tired of being bullied, David, age seventeen, begins using steroids, endangering his relationships with family and friends. (Grades 9-12)

