

# MyCom's Youth Talk on Bullying



A forum for professionals, youth workers,  
parents, and other caring adults

CMHA Riverside Park Community Center  
17800 Parkmount Avenue, Cleveland 44135  
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9:30 a.m. – noon

*Children making power plays against other children, repeatedly using violent actions or words against their peers—it is an unsettling image of childhood. Bullying has gained national attention recently, and is a top concern among our children and teens. Now, Ohio is preparing to do something about it. Legislation is underway that will influence Ohio's policies and responses on bullying, with the goal of making all kids safer. In this session, learn about the legislation, research on why and how bullying happens, and hear personal stories from local youth.*



## Featured speaker: Lester L. Holmes, Jr.

Host of a Pull Magazine online radio program, Blogger with BET.com

Lester L. Holmes, Jr., is a journalist, speaker and mentor who served as a member of KEYS (Knowledge to Empower Youth to Success) Service Corps, where he helped coordinate an after-school tutoring program. He has worked with youth groups in Pennsylvania, Michigan and Ohio. His compelling presentation addresses bullying from an adult and youth perspective, and is based on research and best practices.

Lester has written for Detroit.Metromix.com, UrbanFlavor.com, Real Detroit Weekly, ImAHugeDeal.com, as well as the historic New Pittsburgh Courier. His high-profile interviews include artists Rihanna, Chuck-D, Russell Simmons, Kimora Lee-Simmons, and Doug E. Fresh, Sterling Simms, and Kevin Powell. Lester is a graduate of Wilberforce University, the nation's first Historically Black College.

## Other event highlights:

Take action on upcoming legislation that could affect statewide policies on bullying

Network with others who care about youth and youth issues in Cuyahoga County

Hear what young people have to say about bullying



**FREE and open to the public, but registration is required.**

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