



# Glenbard Township High School District 87

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## **Author to discuss his book with Glenbard South students**

Award winning author Robert Lipsyte will speak to Glenbard South High School's psychology and sociology students and other Glenbard South readers about his latest novel, "Raiders Night," which is centered around a fictional Nearmont High School's Raider football team.

In a collaborative effort between Deanna Blyth, psychology and sociology teacher, Diane Mankowski, media center director, and Anderson's Bookstore, Glenbard South students will participate in a program where they have the opportunity to read Lipsyte's novel, discuss it in class, meet and discuss the book with the author and have their book signed by the author.

Prior to attending the program, students in Blyth's sociology and psychology classes will read and discuss Lipsyte's recently published new book, "Raiders Night." In this novel, contemporary sociological and psychological issues like hazing, steroid use in athletes, parent-child relationships, peer pressure, as well as accountability and responsibility for both individuals and group behaviors in society, are raised.

The programs will be held from 9:35 to 11:25 a.m. and 12:55 to 2:40 p.m. Friday, Sept. 22, in Glenbard South's library, 23W200 Butterfield Road in Glen Ellyn. The nearly two-hour program will include time for Lipsyte's comments, questions and answers, book signings and football tailgate party themed snacks. Parents of Blyth's students have been invited to attend either program.

Lipsyte has earned the Margaret A. Edwards award, an American Library Association Award that recognizes his entire body of work and its contribution to YA (teen) literature. In addition, he is an award winning sports journalist from the New York Times.