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In a house on a hill,
just outside Sunnyville,
a little but mighty girl named May
deeply dreams of her first school day.



Sunlight bursts in.
May is wide awake.
She leaps from bed.
She can't be late.
Adventures ahead!
Adventures await!

Bright yellow school bus
stretches long and tall.
Clouds swell above.

Drip,

drip,

drip.

Rain drops fall.

May kisses Mommy and Mama.
Good-bye!
She's excited, she's nervous—
but she WILL NOT cry.

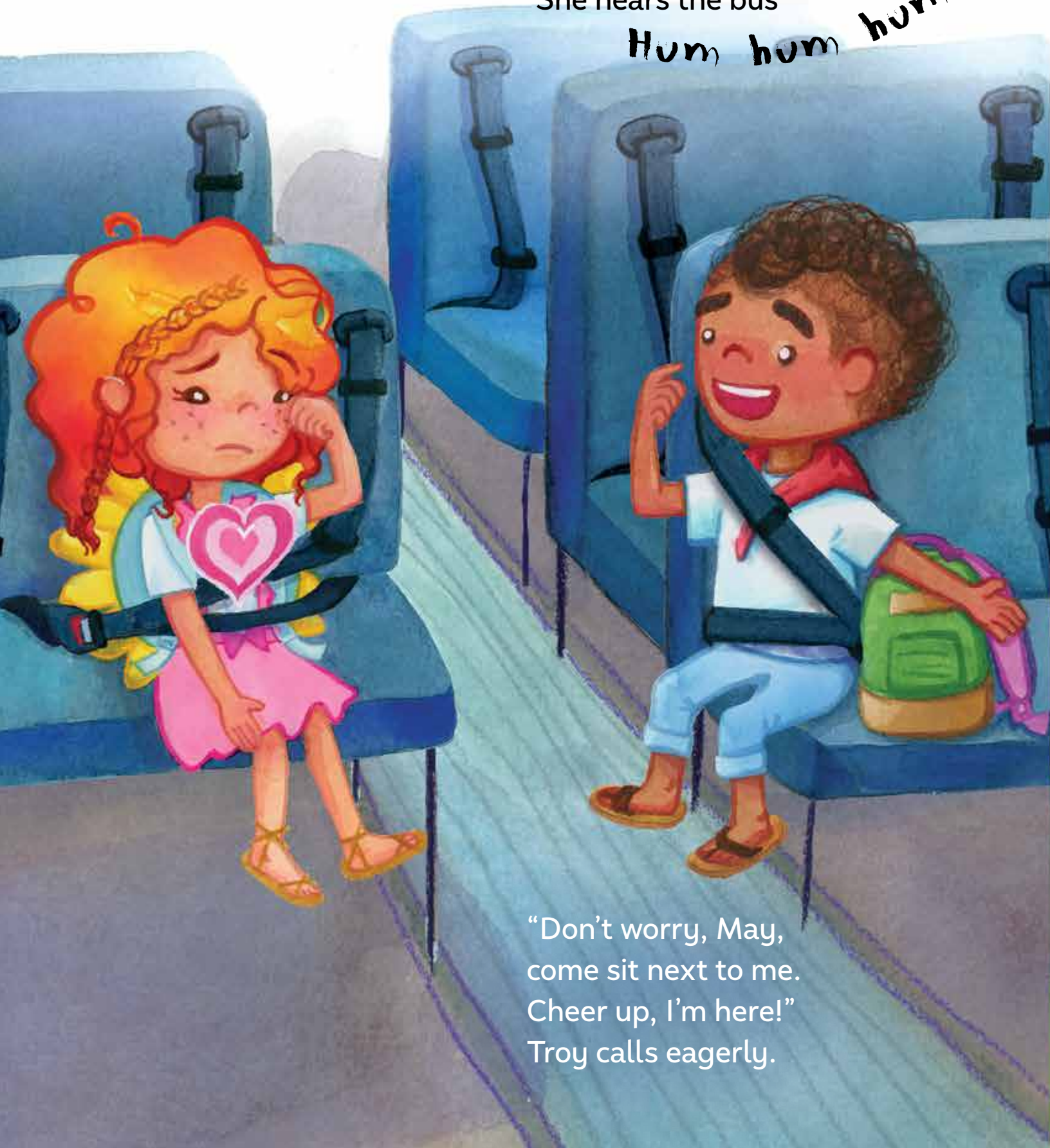


May feels uncertain.
Her heart beats

Da dum da dum da dum-

She hears the bus

Hum hum hum-



"Don't worry, May,
come sit next to me.
Cheer up, I'm here!"
Troy calls eagerly.

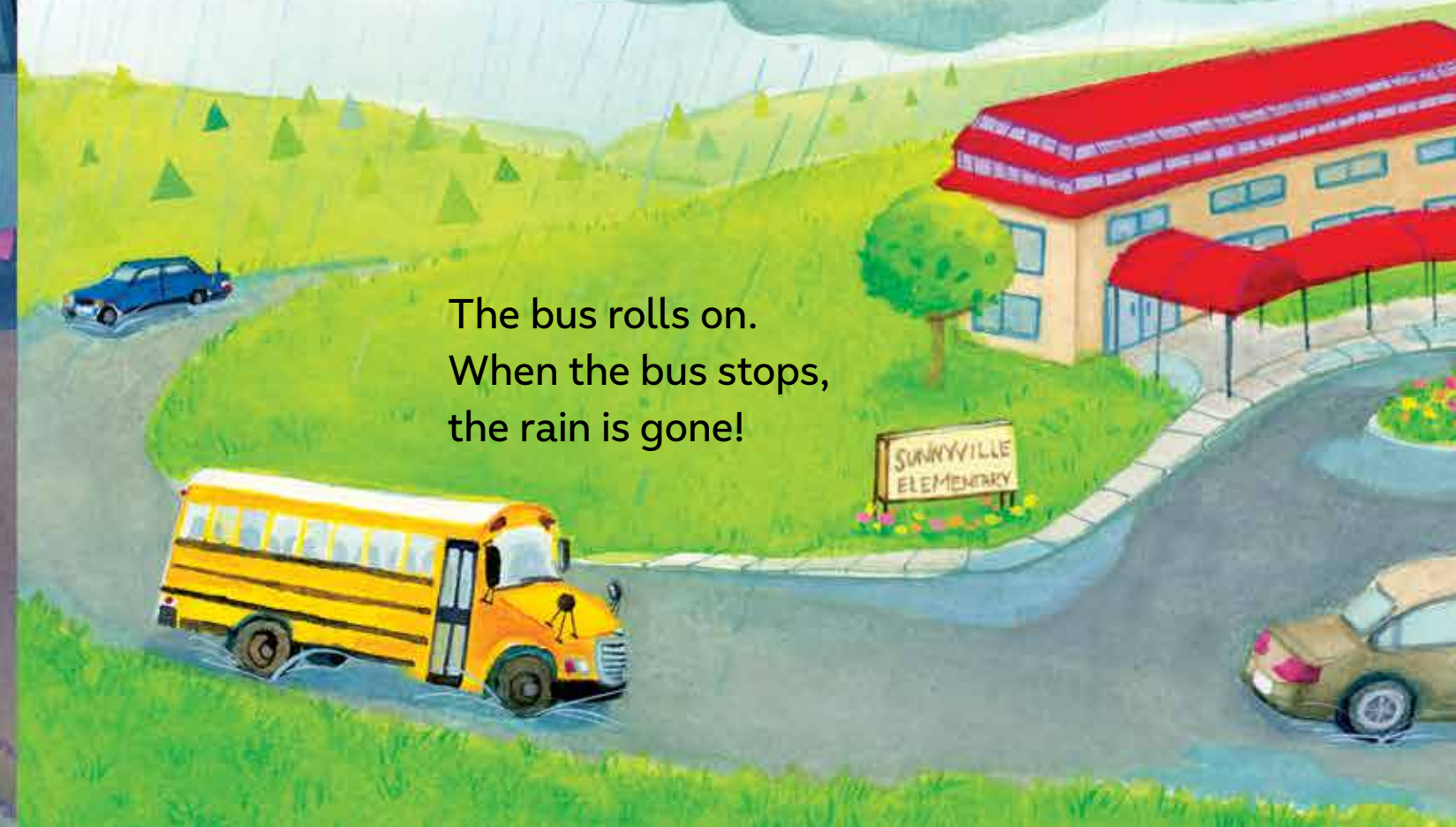
May nods.

May sits.

May waits.



The bus rolls on.
When the bus stops,
the rain is gone!



Ring ring ring!

May is here at last.
The school bell chimes.
She must hurry fast.

Zigzag,

Zoom,

down the hallway
to the room.

Teetering,
toppling,

Boom!



KENDRA & CLAIRE-VOE OCAMPO have cried many tears together since falling in love in Boston and getting married in New Jersey, just months after same-sex marriage became legal in the state. They're two moms to two mighty daughters, Xiomara and Violet, who cry often (and that's okay!) about spilled milk, a wet diaper, or going to school. When they're not writing, you might find Kendra and Claire-Voe eating tapas, video gaming, or watching sappy rom-coms which often bring them to tears.



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Mommy and Mama say,
"It's OK to cry, we all do."



Could it be true?



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