

LETTER ADVOCATING FOR GUN FREE SCHOOLS

PARENTS NAME
ADDRESS
CITY, STATE ZIP CODE
TELEPHONE NUMBER

Date

Name of School Superintendent, School Board, Legislator, etc.

Dear -----:

I live in ----- school district where my child attend ----- school. I am writing you because Michigan law currently allows adults who have concealed weapons permits to openly carry handguns and rifles onto Michigan school property and into Michigan schools. When these adults engage in open carry activities at schools they force principals to impose school lockdowns that disrupt school routine and frighten and traumatize the student and staff who are subjected to the lockdown.

It is not right that guns are barred from churches, hospitals, daycare centers, courts and other public areas but are not banned from schools. It is also not right that our children should be traumatized by necessary lockdowns simply because an adult brings firearms into the school to prove a legal point. Every lockdown creates trauma and fear and greatly increases the likelihood that students or staff might suffer medical or physical injury. These risks justify changing Michigan law to make it clear that guns, whether openly displayed or concealed, do not belong in our schools.

I encourage you to act now to protect Michigan school children and school personnel from the risks caused by allowing adults to openly carry firearms in our schools. Please respond to my letter and let me know what action you intend to take on this important issue.

Your name
Address
Phone number