Dear (name),

I am the Dean of Students at Rivendell Academy in Orford, New Hampshire. I am reaching out to one administrator in each of New Hampshire’s 500 public schools to ask for help.

While the nation is grieving the tragic school shooting in Parkland Florida, once again students, citizens, pundits and politicians are asking what can be done to protect our nation’s children.

As a school administrator in New Hampshire, you are in a privileged position not to have to ask that question, but to take decisive action.

Please stand with the Rivendell, Lebanon, Dresden, Mascoma and Claremont school districts and work with your school board to pass a policy prohibiting members of the public from carrying a gun into your school building.

On March 6th, the Rivendell School Board will enact the attached weapons policy prohibiting guns on our New Hampshire campus. Our board is committed to this action even in light of the recent attempt by a few gun lobby legislators who sought to literally criminalize such a policy in the form of HB 1749.

Shame on them!

Until there is a state bill, similar to Vermont’s, that prohibits guns in schools, the responsibility to protect our children is ours.

Please help keep New Hampshire public schools safe and healthy learning environments by working with your school board to keep guns out of your school. It is something that you can do, right now.

Respectfully,

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