

To: School Security Working Group
Public Hearing Testimony

My name is Walter Reddy. I am a homeowner in Weston CT. I can not attend the public hearing on **School Security** scheduled for 9:30 am on January 25th, but I wish to submit my testimony into the public record.

I believe the teachers and other school administrators should have a right to defend their lives and the lives of the children they are entrusted with. Some of them have already received proper gun safety and training before obtaining concealed carry permits. The policy of continuing the so called "gun free school zones" is insane. The criminal psychopathic killers do not obey the current gun laws and will not obey any future ones. Instead they are attracted to these "Defense free school zones" because they can inflict the most killing in the shortest amount of . The police can not get their until after the mass killing is done, usually 10-20 minutes later.

A number of other States have implemented this "common sense" approach to school security with great success. I am attaching a short interview with a school superintendent about how they set up their "School Security" <http://www.wltx.com/news/article/213252/142/Texas-School-District-Teachers-Carry-Concealed-Guns>

The Superintendent's name is David Thweatt from Harrold, TX. I am hoping you could contact him and discuss more details of their "guardian plan". I believe this plan is superior to have an "armed guard" or "police officer". They would become "targets" to a killer.

Thank you,
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