The common thread in all these mass shootings is a mentally ill young person. The focus should be on:

1. Ensuring the mentally ill cannot access any device that could be weaponized.
2. Ensuring the mentally ill can access treatment without stigma.
3. Ensuring the young are not overly exposed to violent video games and entertainment.
4. Ensuring some sort of police presence at schools.

Banning assault weapons will not increase safety. If you truly believe it will then you should also be calling for bans on private airplanes (think 9/11), sports cars and high performance boats (think 3000 pound missiles with a gasoline warheads) and so forth. These are all devices not necessary for society to function yet have resulted in countless deaths over time.

I am shocked to find that the video game and entertainment industry off so light. Where is the call to ban violent video games (the same type as used to train combat troops) and violence in motion pictures?