

## An Open Letter to Our Students... You Give Us Hope

Thousands are murdered with guns each year. Since Sandy Hook, there have been 239 school shootings with 438 people shot and 138 murdered in our schools. The most recent being the 17 students, teachers and staff murdered at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School.

The adults, who are relentlessly fighting to end this carnage and provide you with safe neighborhoods and schools, have been shunned and ignored by those in power.

**You**, the students of Buffalo, Western New York and the Country have done what we adults have been unable to do - create a National movement and awareness focused on safe neighborhoods and schools.

**You** have come together, organized, demonstrated and forced those, who have refused to listen and act, to realize that you will not and cannot stop until you have safe neighborhoods and schools.

**You** have learned your lessons well. Those in power are now on notice that you expect them to learn from you, act now, and that **you** will be grading them in the next elections.

We, your teachers in Buffalo and across the Country, are so very proud of you. **You give us hope for the future**.

Don't give up. We are with you. Your Teachers

