

One Wisconsin Now: Stands with students calling for safe schools and communities

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MADISON, Wis. — On Wednesday, March 14 students in Wisconsin and across the nation held events to commemorate the one month anniversary of the mass shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School that killed 17 in Parkland, Florida. One Wisconsin Now Program Director Analiese Eicher said the group supports the efforts of the students calling on policymakers to enact strong measures to keep them safe in school and reduce gun violence. And, they're letting people show they stand with Wisconsin students and send a message to Gov. Scott Walker by visiting them on Twitter at @OneWisconsinNow.

“Today we’re listening to what students have to say and supporting their call for real action to keep them safe from gun violence in our schools and communities,” said Eicher. “And we’re encouraging people to join us on social media to join in sending a message to the NRA and the Republicans in charge in Wisconsin that things need to change.”

By going to @OneWisconsinNow on Twitter, people can show their support and retweet a message that will go to Gov. Walker’s Twitter feed.

In Florida, the National Rifle Association (NRA) has gone to court to fight new laws passed by their state legislature and signed by the governor including a three day

waiting period to buy guns, banning bump stocks, raising the minimum age for buying a gun to 21 and allowing law enforcement to ask courts to give them authority to keep people considered to be dangerous of possessing guns and ammunition.

The NRA has dumped \$3.5 million in Wisconsin to support Gov. Walker, who has said he may call a special session on school safety but has not revealed what, if any, ideas he has to reduce gun violence and protect students. As governor, Walker repealed an exemption to state imposed revenue limits for school safety, signed the state concealed carry law and rolled back a 48 hour waiting period for purchasing guns.

The NRA has also endorsed Walker's hand-picked state Supreme Court candidate Michael Screnock, saying in a mailing that Screnock "vowed to protect" firearms and "committed" to their agenda.