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**How to Engage the NRA in Discussions to Change Gun Regulations**  
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**Action Steps Following the March for Our Lives Demonstrations: A Toolkit**  
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## Other helpful Links:

- AAP site aimed at parents regarding access in the home:  
<https://www.healthychildren.org/English/safety-prevention/at-home/Pages/Handguns-in-the-Home.asp>
- Tool kit for parents, sharing tips on how to ask/Asking Saves Lives, and other helpful notes: <https://www.aap.org/en/news-room/campaigns-and-toolkits/gun-safety/>
- A resource for schools, communities, and families to respond to (or prepare for) community crises, including mass murders, led by David Schoenfeld:  
<https://www.schoolcrisiscenter.org/>
- ASK Day is a day to share the message of safe firearm storage and remind parents to ask if there is an unlocked gun in the home where their child plays:  
<https://www.bradyunited.org/resources/campaigns-toolkits/ask-day-is-june-21>
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