

## Masterman-Smith Pledges to Support Walkout Students in Congress

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Simi Valley, California -- Michael Masterman-Smith stands with all the students participating in the walk-out today and pledges to fight for better gun policy.

Michael Masterman-Smith, a Democratic candidate and healthcare specialist running for congress in district 25, is pledging to take the issue of gun violence to the Capitol. Being inspired

by the bravery of these students he stated, "It is time for lawmakers to have the same courage our students have to change America's broken gun policy."

Michael's plan starts with repealing the Dickey Amendment, which bans the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention from identifying the best ways to prevent gun violence. Stating that, "It is impossible to create effective strategies to reduce and prevent gun violence when our best and brightest prevention specialists at the CDC are prohibited from this crucial task." He also supports mandatory

waiting periods and background checks.

His plan further includes improving our education system. Instead of putting armed teachers in the classroom, he plans to provide teachers with competitive salaries and the resources they need for our children to feel safe, heard, cared for, and given a proper foundation to pursue their endeavors at the highest capacity. "The NRA does not care for our children. They should not be able to dictate the terms of their education. It is time we ARM our schools with real resources and real funding. It is heartbreaking that our students live in fear due to the inaction of our Congress," Michael said in his statement.

You can read Michael's full platform by visiting his campaign website at <a href="https://www.masterman2018.com">www.masterman2018.com</a>.

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