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Dear Sir or Madam,

In early 2016, my husband and I were watching the local news one evening when Derek LeBlanc was featured discussing his "Firearm Safety Course for Kids." His course was intended to introduce young children to the basic rules of what to do if they were to ever encounter an unsecured firearm. While my husband and I had, until that point, stressed the importance of what to do and not do when it comes to firearms, we felt it was important to have our child hear it from "someone else." We immediately enrolled our then 6.5 year old son in the upcoming session. He took Mr. Leblanc's "Kids in Home Firearms Safety Course Class 1" April 1, 2016. At that time, the official "Kids S.A.F.E. Foundation" (KSF) was a dream Derek LeBlanc was creating and pursuing. Ever since that April class, my now 9- year old son has participated in almost a dozen courses and events with Kids S.A.F.E. Foundation in an effort to encourage other children to take the course.

The message then and still today is simple and easy for anyone, but most importantly children to understand. It is broken down into four easy-to-remember steps. The information provided in the course is not only eye opening to children, but to their parents/guardians. It encourages open dialogue within families.

The lack of education currently available to children regarding this topic is, without a doubt, incomprehensible.

I wholeheartedly believe that KSF's safety course should be made available to ALL children regardless of their families' position on guns.

Sincerely,
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