As career military veterans, my husband and I know our way around guns. That's why we don't have them in our house with our children. But within our community, many people feel more comfortable owning firearms. In order for me to feel comfortable allowing my kids to visit their friends' houses I need to know that if there are firearms in the house, they are being securely stored. Yes, I do ask to see how guns are stored and I do make decisions on where my kids can be based on the responsibility and respect other parents demonstrate for the power of weapons. Secure storage is a no-brainer, a basic responsible step to keep a home safe. The simple fact is that when guns are unsecured, accidents happen. Please do the hard right thing and ensure that homes with guns are safer for the people within.