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 Classmates at Roosevelt High School walked out of school at 9:40 a.m. last Wednesday and gathered outside for a rally to talk about gun laws in the U.S. and provide a moment of silence to memorialize the 17 who were shot down in Parkland, Fla. last month. They returned to class an hour later.

Students Declare 'Enough'

A unifying message on reducing gun violence

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Students from at least 45 Portland area schools joined hundreds more across the nation to declare “enough” with gun violence and walked out of classes in solidarity with students and victims of the mass school shooting in Parkland, Fla., one month ago.

The coordinated March 14 demonstrations, both at home and across the county, included a 17-minute moment of silence for the 17 students and teachers killed at Florida’s Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School. The central message from the student speeches and pickets was that Congress needs to approve gun control legislation.

Among the peaceful demonstrations held locally was from a group of students at St. Andrew Nativity School, a



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Students from St. Andrew Nativity School in northeast Portland chant and hold signs in solidarity with nationwide student-led protests pleading for gun reforms. The march came on the one month anniversary of the mass shooting in Florida that killed 17.

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