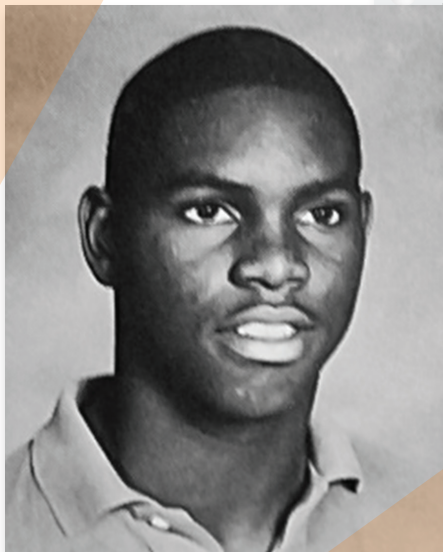


# Who is Sandy Hook Promise?

Sandy Hook Promise (SHP) is a national, nonprofit organization based in Newtown, Connecticut and led by several family members whose loved ones were killed in the tragic mass shooting at Sandy Hook School on December 14, 2012. SHP's mission is to educate and empower youth and adults to prevent violence in schools, homes, and communities. Students Against Violence Everywhere (SAVE) Promise Club leaders are helping accomplish this mission.



## The History of Students Against Violence Everywhere (SAVE)

Now, you and your SAVE Promise Club (SPC) are a part of a long SAVE legacy and tradition. How did it all start? In April of 1989, over 200 students from West Charlotte Senior High School in North Carolina gathered at a party. A carload of young men from a rival school showed up armed and looking for trouble. As teens panicked, 17-year-old Alex Orange stepped forward. Alex, a fullback on the West Charlotte football team, was a young man who looked out for other people. Alex told the intruders this was no place for violence. Sadly, shots were fired, and Alex fell to the floor. Surrounded by shaken friends and schoolmates, Alex's life was taken by gun violence.

The following week, students joined together in their grief and vowed that something was going to change, and change for the better! The group formed Students Against Violence Everywhere (SAVE). In 2017, SAVE and Sandy Hook Promise combined efforts to educate and empower young people to help end school shootings and violence.

Learn more about SAVE Promise Clubs by viewing this [video](#).

## Who is the National Youth Advisory Board?

Each year, SHP recruits high school students and their adult champions to serve on the National **Youth Advisory Board and School Advisory Committee**. This is a competitive application process and the chosen candidates, along with their adult advisors, play a key role in SHP's student and school engagement, representing SHP, and planning youth leadership events.

## How can you get involved? APPLY!

Applications for National Youth Advisory Board Members and their Adult Advisors open up in April each year. Refer to the [website](#) or use this QR code with your smartphone's camera for up-to-date application deadlines and requirements.

