

Restricting Gun Possession

It is quite terrifying knowing how common mass shootings have become in the United States. Mass shootings have actually become so common that news broadcasts barely care to mention them anymore. According to shootingtracker.com, as of Dec. 9, there have been about 353 mass shootings in America with 462 people killed and 1,312 wounded. The most recent mass shooting occurred in San Bernardino, California on Dec. 2, where a couple walked into a holiday party held in a conference room and shot up the whole place, killing 14 people and wounding 17. If news broadcasts only talk about the major shootings, how many shootings actually do occur that go unheard of? In 2015, on average, more than one shooting occurs every day and all these shootings have left four or more people either killed or wounded. If that does not say that the U.S.'s gun control system should change, nothing will. You can not expect the amount of mass shootings to decrease if getting ahold of firearm and ammunition is so easy. It is sad that people all across America are scared to do things like go to a party or send their kids off to school, due to the fact that these are common places where mass shootings occur. It is not fair that parents have to send their kids off to school in fear that they may or may not see their child make it back home. Even if the people of America were to try and make a change, without the support of our government no one person is going to make a difference. On Oct. 1 2015, Christopher Harper-Mercer walked into a classroom at Umpqua Community College in Roseburg, Oregon and shot an assistant professor as well as eight students in the classroom. When Mercer's father was interviewed by CNN.com he asked a question that quite frankly everyone would like to know the answer to, "How on earth could he have compiled 13 guns?" As a country whose population is drastically increasing day-by-day, the government needs to put an end to shootings overall. The people of this country deserve to be, and feel, safe. Shooting after shooting, the

government talks about how they plan to make a change about gun possession and make it harder to obtain one. Just by looking at the statistics, it is clear that the government has not done much. No one is saying completely putting an end to gun possession is easy, but it is most definitely possible.