In recent years, a debate has sparked the interest of many Americans, specifically, college students: should concealed carry be allowed on college campuses? Although this question may seem very easy to answer, legislatures have not come to a consensus on this question. Exercising our First Amendment right, to freedom of speech, is something that should not be taken away, and yet; bringing guns onto college campuses will do just that. In a heated debate, a student may be hesitant to speak because of the possibility of a concealed gun in the classroom. In addition, students’ security and safety will be compromised. In an interview by Wall Street Journal writer, Ashby Jones, University of Nevada student Samantha Burch comments, “it’s far more likely that a man is going to take that gun out of my hands and use it against me than it is likely to do much” (Jones 2). In addition, although background checks are done, someone who is mentally unstable could still pass a background check. The Virginia Tech shooter was considered mentally unstable, but he still got his hands on a gun. Theft on college campus is also an issue when considering whether or not to allow guns on college campuses. Would guns on college campuses really deter shootings? In other words, can we really fight fire with fire? Guns on college campuses is a pressing issue. Students, university employees, and parents of students need to take a stand and say no to guns on college campuses.