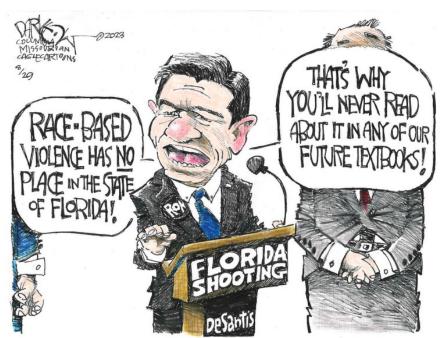
## Cartoons for the Classroom

## Are gun laws or rhetoric tied to killings?



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1. What are these cartoons saying about the shooting deaths of three Black people in Jacksonville, Florida, by a 21-year-old man carrying an AR-15-style rifle painted with swastikas?

2. Police said the shooter killed himself after the attack and had been involuntarily committed earlier as a suicide risk. Did he legally buy the rifle and pistol he used?

3. What did mourners do when Gov. Ron DeSantis spoke at a Jacksonville prayer vigil?

4. Is it fair to criticize DeSantis, a Republican running for president, for loosening state gun laws and deriding "wokeness" in teaching about racism? Why or why not?

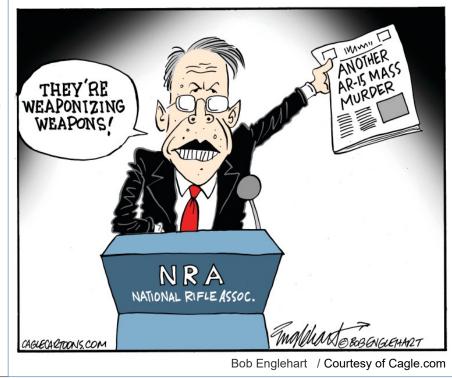
## Between the lines

"Plainly put, this shooting was racially motivated, and he hated Black people.... This was quite frankly a maniac who decided he wanted to take lives." - Jacksonville Sheriff T.K. Waters.

https://www.jacksonville.com/story/news/crime/ 2023/08/26/jacksonville-florida-shooter-detailsmanifestos-gunman/70691770007/

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