

## **News Release**

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## **Book Focuses on the Tragedy of School Shootings**

Author David W. Guth's new book "Thirteen Minutes: Death of an American High School" is a story inspired by true events that centers around a fictional school shooting and a small community that is forever changed.

"Thirteen Minutes" from Page Publishing goes beyond the tragedy and death of a school shooting to explore the reasons why such incidents occur. Guth, a Peabody Award-winning journalist and an associate professor emeritus of journalism and mass communications at the University of Kansas, explores the circumstances surrounding the incident, the rippling effects within the community, and the possible root causes that lead to such tragedies.

"The people of Price City, Missouri, were convinced 'it couldn't happen here' just as the people of Newton, Connecticut; Littleton, Colorado; and Parkland, Florida, had once believed," writes Guth. "But it did, amidst the political and social upheaval of the nation's worst pandemic in a century. This book is a fact-based fiction grounded within contemporary journalism. It describes the root causes of a painful American form of tragedy.

"School mass-casualty shootings have become an all-too-familiar and all-too-terrifying aspect of modern life," Guth said. "Thirteen Minutes: Death of an American High

School' serves as a cautionary tale that provides insight into the causes and effects of these uniquely American tragedies."

Guth said this poignant and sadly relevant story is inspired by a desire to shed light on the ongoing tragedy of school shootings within America and spark an open dialogue to find a way forward to avoid such disasters from occurring again.

"Thirteen Minutes: Death of An American High School" is available in soft cover, hard cover and digital formats at bookstores everywhere, or online at the Apple iTunes Store, Amazon, Google Play, or Barnes and Noble.

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