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Letter to the Editor

Community needs education

The use of tobacco products by our youth continues to be a growing problem in our community. As the parent of two grade school children, I am concerned about the availability of tobacco products to our youth. I feel it is important for our community to be educated about tobacco and involved in the prevention of the under-age use of tobacco. The harder we make it for our youth to access these products, the less chance they will have

to use and become addicted. I also think that our youth need to understand that tobacco use is not only addictive and unhealthy, but also illegal. As the saying goes, "It takes a village to raise a child." It is important that we as a community raise our children the best way possible. I would greatly encourage you to get involved with efforts in your community that addresses this important issue.

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