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Colorado Department
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Dear Parent:

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment would like to recruit your assistance in our efforts to prevent youth under 18 from getting and using tobacco. We would like to ask parents of teenagers in high school a handful of questions over the phone. The interview should take less than 30 minutes to complete. We would also like to offer you a \$25 gift card to Target as a thank you for your time.

We recognize that each community is different and has needs for change that we may or may not be aware of. With efforts like this interview we hope to gain a clearer understanding of what those needs are. We also hope to help better protect the health of adolescents in our state. The answers you give us will be completely confidential. No names will be connected to answers. They will only be reported in combination with the responses we get from other parents around the state. Participation in the interview is voluntary and will not affect services you may receive from the state.

I would like to thank you ahead of time for sharing your opinion with us. I'm confident that in doing so you will improve the health of young people like your daughter or son.

If you are willing to help in this critical effort, please contact Erikka Apolinar at 303-692-2533 or Erikka.Apolinar@state.co.us to schedule a time to complete this short interview. If you have questions or concerns about this interview, you may contact Celeste Schoenthaler at 303-692-2951.

Sincerely,

Jillian Jacobellis, Ph.D., M.S.

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