

Letters to the editor, April 30

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Grads, help the world

Great news to see more high school students graduating in America ("California graduation rate at record high," April 29).

As a retired teacher, I remember the pride my students felt, often being the first in their families to graduate. Such a contrast to the 57 million children in our world who don't have any opportunity to go to school.

The Global Partnership for Education is working to change that. This June, the Global Partnership holds its funding conference to continue this work. America's contribution of \$250 million over the next two years will make a difference and inspire other donors.

Perhaps high school students could look into this matter and take action on behalf of the children with no educational opportunities. In the process, they would learn what a privilege it is to have an education. This could motivate even more students to graduate and create a better world.

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Revive the kill switch

Apparently the writer of "Why did they kill the kill switch" (Letters, April 29) doesn't understand the concept of a "kill switch."

He believes a password is enough. A thief might not be able to use a phone that is password-protected, but you're still out a phone. A kill switch would eliminate the possibility of a theft altogether. A thief isn't going to steal something he cannot sell or use himself.

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