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Child mental health, suicide

The terrible tragedy of child suicide all but prevents any rational discussion of the topic (8/23, As I See It, "What is schools' duty in children's mental health?").

The issue becomes so clouded with the raw emotion of never wanting to suffer something like that, that people are unable to say anything beyond words of sympathy.

But when it comes down to it, who is more responsible for the physical, emotional and spiritual well-being of children than parents?

If we as a nation keep pursuing this idea that we can always make someone else responsible for our difficulties, especially in the area of parenting, we will end up turning over to the state complete power to dictate the lives of our children.

The state already has far more power to intervene in family life than it should have. Please don't give it any more.

Schools administering mental health screenings invites "Big Brother" right into our homes.

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