

CARPOOL SAFETY CHECKLIST



Transporting your child safely is important – transporting someone else’s child is even more important. When your child is riding in a carpool with someone else or other children are riding with you, please make sure you can say “Yes” to all the following items:

BEFORE THE RIDE

- » The person driving the carpool is a responsible, trusted person who has their driver’s license and carries auto insurance.
- » Before the driver gets into the car, they walk completely around the car – looking for kids, toys and pets.
- » The driver can see each child in the carpool as they are approaching the car.
- » I teach my child not to play around or near cars in driveways, parking lots or the street.

DURING THE RIDE

- » Each child rides in a car seat, booster seat or seat belt, based on individual age, weight and height.
- » Each child has their own seat belt system to hold them, the booster seat or car seat.
- » Each child under 13 is riding in the back seat.
- » Airbags have been disabled for children who must ride in the front seat (front seat location is NOT recommended.)
- » The driver knows how to use a booster seat or car seat correctly for the children they transport.
- » The car does not start until every person is properly buckled.

AFTER THE RIDE

- » Keep the vehicle locked, so kids cannot play in or around the car when an adult is not there.
- » Each child has seen and knows how the glow in the dark emergency trunk handle works in an emergency.
- » All children exit the car on the curb side.
- » Once children exit the car, the driver waits until they are safely supervised before driving off.
- » Never leave children alone in the car, not even for a few minutes.

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