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Child Passenger Safety

Is there anything more important than the well-being of our children? From the time we place our newborn in the car seat for the first ride home, to the time we allow our teen to drive off alone, safety should be a top priority.

In a crash, adults and teens are safest when they are safely restrained in a standard seat belt. For the smallest passengers, a child passenger safety seat is the best choice. In selecting a car seat, keep the following in mind:

- Choose a seat that fits your car, your child, and one that you will use every time.
- Seats vary by weight, height, and age. Find out what works for you and your child at <http://www.safercar.gov/parents/Car-Seat-Safety.htm>.
- Remember, the back seat is the safest place for children up to the age of 12.

It is worth it to take a few minutes to make sure that your child is in the appropriate seat for their size. OHS offers free fitting, installation, and inspections statewide. Schedule an appointment with a certified technician at a car seat fitting station near you. Go to <http://www.ohs.delaware.gov/carseat.shtml> for more information.

Buckle Up. Arrive Alive DE.