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## Resources

- Free Child Passenger Safety Material
- Find a Fitting Station Near You
- NHTSA
- Safe Kids Worldwide
- American Academy of Pediatrics
- The National Child Passenger Safety Board
- Children in Autonomous Vehicles

## Helpful Tips

- Child Passenger Safety Tips
- Car Seat Checklist
- Booster Seat Checklist
- Pregnant Woman's Guide to Buckling Up

## Ollie Otter

Ollie Otter develops a positive opinion towards seat belt and booster seat use in the minds of children, parents, and communities as a whole. Ollie Otter visits all 95 counties in Tennessee and completes over 350 school and community events annually.



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# RESOURCES AT YOUR FINGER TIPS



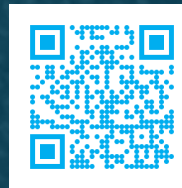
## TN CPS APP

Have the answers when you need it. Download **Tennessee's Child Passenger safety** app for resources on the go.



## Need advice from a CPST?

Scan to find a Car Seat Fitting Station near you and meet with a certified Child Passenger Safety Technician.



# CPS TIPS

Resources for Child Passenger Safety



## Have Questions?

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# CAR SEAT BASICS

## REAR FACING

- My child always rides in a back seat and never in front of an air bag.
- My child always rides in a car seat made for his or her size and age.
- My child sits facing the back of the car in his or her car seat.
- The harness straps are snug on my child, and I can't pinch the buckled strap at the shoulder.
- My child's car seat is buckled tightly in the car and doesn't move more than one inch when I pull it where the seatbelt is buckled/attached.
- My child uses a bigger rear-facing car seat until he or she outgrows the harness. Many harnesses go to 50 pounds.
- I never leave my child alone in a car.



## FORWARD - FACING

- My child always rides in a back seat.
- My child always rides in a car seat made for his or her size and age.
- The harness straps are snug on my child, and I can't pinch the buckled strap at the shoulder.
- My child's car seat is buckled tightly in the car and doesn't move more than one inch when I pull it at the belt path. I use the top tether.
- My child uses this car seat until he or she outgrows the harness. Many harnesses go to 50 pounds or more.



## HIGH - BACK BOOSTER

- My child's back is flat against the back of the booster seat.
- The lap belt portion of the seat belt is under the booster seat's arm rests.
- Use the shoulder belt positioners that are provided with the booster seat—to keep the shoulder belt in place.
- The seat belt lays flat—remove all twists.



## BACKLESS BOOSTER

- My child's back is flat against your vehicle's seat back.
- The lap belt portion of the seat belt is under the booster seat's arm.
- Use the shoulder belt positioners that are provided with the booster seat—to keep the shoulder belt in place.
- The seat belt lays flat—remove all twists.
- The vehicle's head rest is adjusted following guidance in the vehicle manual.



## SEAT BELTS

- My child always rides in a back seat until age 13.
- My child always uses a lap and shoulder seat belt.
- The lap belt sits low on my child's hips, not the stomach.
- The shoulder belt is on my child's shoulder – not on the neck, under the arm or behind the back.
- My child's back is firmly against the vehicle seat back, his or her knees bend at the front edge of the vehicle seat, and he or she can sit this way for the whole ride.
- The seat belt is snug, flat and comfortable on my child. If the seat belt does not fit right, my child must use a booster seat.



## Car Seat Basics

A **free** e-learning course. Learn to keep children safe in cars as they grow. Proof of completion will be provided after completion of all modules. Scan the QR code to access the free course.

