

Child Safety Seat Program

It is essential that every person caring for a child or infant understand the proper installation and use of a child safety seat/restraint system. Because the sheriff's department feels so strongly about the need to educate the public on this issue, we have certified several people as instructors. Those employees are: Deputy Kevin Harvancik, Deputy Mike Matoushek, and Deputy Kelly Cotter.

Community training can be scheduled by contacting Deputy Harvancik at 920-386-4113.

Types of car safety seats at a glance

The chart below is a quick guide on where to start your search. However, it's important to more about the features and how to use your car safety seat.

Age	Type of Seat	General Guideline
Infants	Infant seats and rear-facing convertible seats	All infants should <i>always</i> ride rear-facing until they are at least 1 year of age <i>and</i> weigh at least 20 pounds.
Toddlers/Preschoolers	Convertible seats	It is best to ride rear-facing as long as possible. Children 1 year of age <i>and</i> at least 20 pounds can ride forward-facing.
School-aged children	Booster seats	Booster seats are for older children who have outgrown their forward-facing car safety seats. Children should stay in a booster seat until adult belts fit correctly (usually when a child reaches about 4' 9" in height and is between 8 and 12 years of age).
Older children	Seat belts	Children who have outgrown their booster seats should ride in a lap and shoulder belt in the back seat until 13 years of age.

