



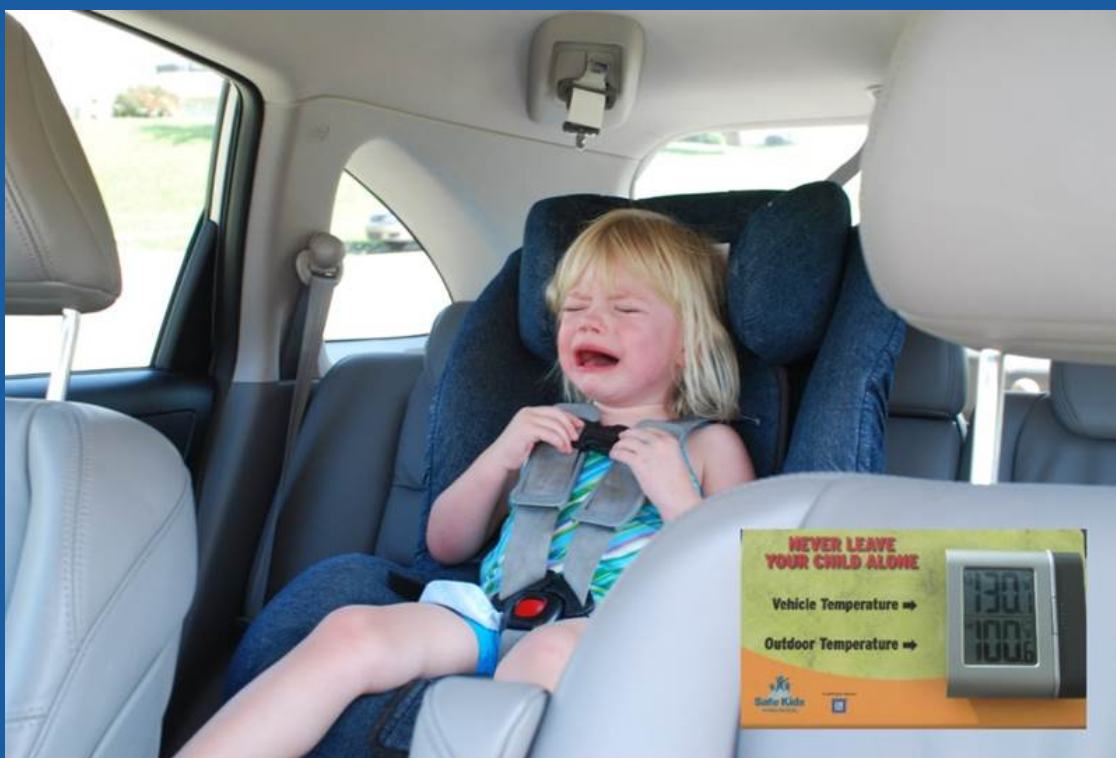
## Look Before You Lock!

A simple reminder to a parent or caregiver can make all of the difference when it comes to preventing heatstroke in a vehicle. Most parents whose children have been victims of being locked in a hot car have **misremembered** that their child was in the back seat, not left intentionally in the car. **Anyone is capable of forgetting their child**, especially when there has been a change in the routine or when the parent is sleep deprived.

Temperatures can rise to deadly levels in as little as 10 minutes. Since 1998, more than 700 children have died nationwide from heatstroke in a vehicle, including 39 in 2016.

Tips to remember:

- Never leave a child alone in a parked car.
- Always look in both the front and back of the vehicle before locking the doors.
- Place a purse, briefcase or phone on the floor in the back seat to serve as a reminder that there is a child in the vehicle.
- Confirm with a caregiver that the child was dropped off.
- If you see a child alone in a vehicle: Make sure the child is okay and responsive. If not, call 911 immediately!



Kids and cars are a deadly combination. Don't take the chance.  
*Look Before You Lock.*

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### Techs and Tethers (CPS Express)

For some reason the unappreciated, underutilized and often unnoticed top tether gets overlooked more often than we like. We are curious to know what you are seeing in the field - why are people choosing or ignoring the tether? How confident are you promoting tethers? What do you think parents are missing about this free and available safety feature?

Below is a link to a four-question survey.

[CPS Express Survey](#)

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## Mythbuster!

**MYTH:** Children don't need to use a car seat while riding on an airplane.

**MOSTLY FALSE:** While using a car seat on an airplane is not required, it is impossible for adults to safely hold children in an event

of a crash or severe turbulence. So, while Kansans are traveling from Kansas City to Liberal, from Goodland to Pittsburg and beyond this summer, it is important for CPS Technicians to share the best practice whether on the road or in the air. Many car seats are approved to use on an airplane, but did you know that the [Federal Aviation Administration \(FAA\)](#) also has a specific travel system approved for safe airplane travel?



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The [Child Aviation Restraint System \(CARES\)](#) child safety device is the only FAA-approved harness-type restraint for children weighing between 22 and 44 Lbs. This type of device provides an alternative to using a hard-backed seat and is approved only for use in an aircraft. The CARES child safety device is not approved for use in motor vehicles. The FAA also has tips, instructions and more information about how to travel with children safely on an airplane.

To learn more about safe airplane travel for children and to share with your community, visit the [FAA](#) site.

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### Upcoming CPS Mini-Update Trainings

**August 22, 2017:** [Hiawatha](#)

(Brown County Sheriff's Office)

**August 24, 2017:** [Garden City](#)

(Kansas Highway Patrol Troop E Headquarters)



### Upcoming CPS Technician Courses

**September \*19-23, 2017:** [Leawood](#) (Leawood Police Department)

\*One-Day CPS Renewal Course (September 19th)

**November 14-16, 2017:** [Hutchinson](#) (Kansas Law Enforcement Training Center)

2017 CPS Technician Courses

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### 2017 CPS Update Awards



**2017 CPS Technician of the Year -**  
Gayle Anderson  
(Russell Child Development Center)



**2017 CPS Station of the Year -  
Riley County Police Department**



**2017 CPS Station of the Year -  
City-Cowley County Health Department**

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