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NATIONAL CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY WEEK

As the summer season has come to an end and schools are now back in session, members of the Trumbull Police Department would like to help ensure the safety of everyone especially when it comes to traveling on the roadways. The Trumbull Police Department would like to advise everyone that September 15 through September 21, 2019 is National Child Passenger Safety Week. During this time, we especially want to remind everyone the importance of child passenger safety.

Facts from NHTSA (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration):

- Every 32 seconds in 2017, one child under the age of 13 in a passenger vehicle was involved in a crash.
- In passenger cars, car seats reduce the risk of fatal injury by 71 percent for infants and by 54 percent for toddlers.
- Most parents are confident that they have correctly installed their child's car seat, but in most cases the seat has not been installed correctly.
- Children must be REAR-FACING until they are age 2 or older AND 30 pounds or more.
- Children must be HARNESSSED (rear or forward-facing) until they are age 5 or older AND 40 pounds or more.
- Children must remain in a BOOSTER (or harness car seat) until they are age 8 or older AND 60 pounds or more.

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Please be safe when traveling and take extra precautions when it comes to children. For any concerns or questions, contact your local police department to schedule a car seat inspection appointment or to ask any car seat related questions. Trumbull residents are encouraged to contact the Trumbull Police Department at (203)452-3854 for more information.

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