

# Working Together to Keep Kids Safe



Accidental injuries threaten the health and well-being of the 13,500 children in Waupaca County. Children, 14 and under, are at high

risk for injuries that can lead to death or disability. Community Partners in the **Waupaca County Safe Kids Chapter** are working together to protect youngsters from injury caused by:

- **Children as Passengers**
- **Home Fire Injuries**
- **Fireworks Related Injuries**
- **Playground Injuries**
- **Poisoning**
- **Boating and Swimming**
- **Sun, Heat, Cold, and Weather Risks**
- **Biking and Sports**
- **Pedestrian Risks**
- **Drowning**
- **Farming**
- **Hearing Loss**



## Community Partners

American Red Cross of the  
Greater Waupaca Area  
Area Childcare Educators Assn.  
CAP Services  
Clintonville Police Department  
Iola Police Department

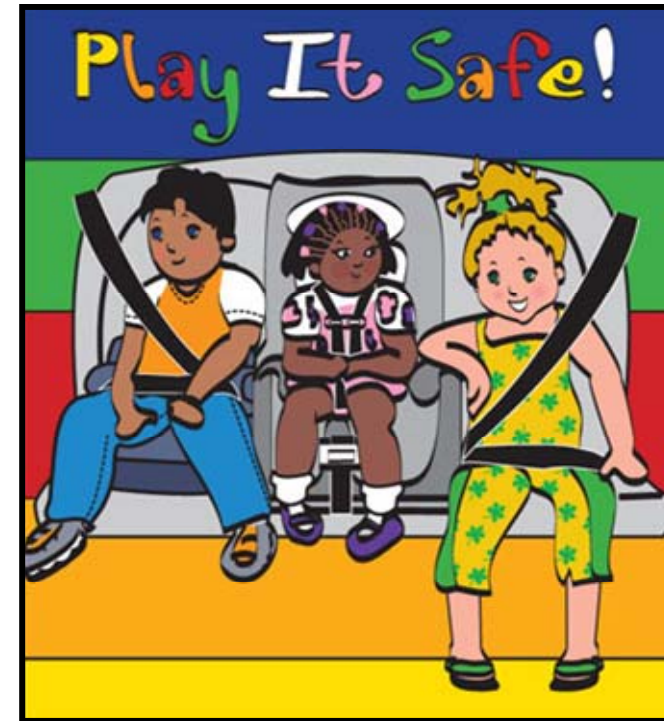
Iola Rural Fire Department and Ambulance Service  
Manawa Police Department  
Marion Police Department  
Neuville Motors Inc.  
New London Police Department  
Prevent Child Abuse Waupaca  
Rainbow's End Child Care  
Riverside Medical Center  
Scandinavia Volunteer Fire Department  
Sunny Day Child Care  
ThedaCare Physicians Waupaca  
Waupaca Area Ambulance  
Waupaca Area Fire District  
Waupaca Area Public Library  
Waupaca Co. Assn. Home & Community Education  
Waupaca Co. Dept. of Health and Human Services  
Waupaca County Fire Fighters Association  
Waupaca County UW-Extension  
Waupaca Family Resource Center  
Waupaca Motor Sales Inc.  
Waupaca Police Department  
Welcome Wagon  
Young Impressions Inc.

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# PREVENTING ACCIDENTAL INJURY®



## Waupaca County Safe Kids Chapter

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<http://waupaca.uwex.edu>

Click on "Community Connections", then:

## Waupaca County Safe Kids Chapter

*The Waupaca County Safe Kids Chapter is a broad-based group of community members and agencies that care about the safety of our children and are working to prevent accidental childhood injuries in our communities.*

## Leading Causes of Unintended Child Injury in Waupaca County

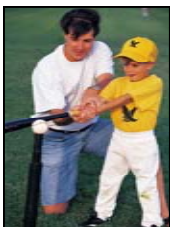


### Birth to Age One

1. Suffocation
2. Motor Vehicle Traffic
3. Drowning
4. Falls
5. Fire or Burns

### Age One to Four Years

1. Drowning
2. Motor Vehicle Traffic
3. Suffocation
4. Pedestrian
5. Fire or Burns
6. Outdoor Accidents (Pets, Playground, Recreation)
7. Tricycle or ATV
8. Poisoning

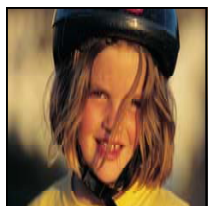


### Age Five to Nine Years

1. Motor Vehicle Traffic
2. Drowning
3. Fire or Burns
4. Bike or ATV
5. Suffocation

### Age Ten to Fourteen

1. Motor Vehicle Traffic
2. Drowning
3. Fire or Burns
4. Bike, ATV or Boat
5. Outdoor Accidents (Pets, Sports, Recreation)
6. Pedestrian



## Booster and Car Seat Safety

20 percent of infants, toddlers or preschoolers and 13 percent of children age 6-11 have been involved in a car accident and injured.

Only one in five child car

seats is installed in the car or truck correctly! Children under 4'9"

need a booster seat. Children age 4-8 who use booster seats and safety belts are 59

percent less likely to be injured in a car crash than children restrained only by a safety belt. **National Highway Traffic Safety**



### Free Booster and Car Seat Check

**October 13, 2007 9 am—Noon  
Neuville Chrysler-Dodge-Jeep  
(across from Courthouse)**

The Child Passenger Safety Program offered by Waupaca County Safe Kids Chapter provides car seats and booster seats for Waupaca County children based on availability and income guidelines. For more information on car seat checks please call (715) 258-6323.



## Home Fire Safety

Children ages birth to 4 years are at highest risk for home fire death and injury. Someone dies in the U.S. from fire every 134 minutes, and someone is injured every 29 minutes.

Fire departments responded to 402,000 home fires last year that claimed the lives of 3,145 people and injured 14,075.

Most victims of fires die from smoke or toxic gases, not burns. Smoking causes most fire-related deaths.

### Delivering Fire Prevention

**Wednesday, October 10, 2007  
5:00—8:00 PM**

**Waupaca, Iola and Manawa firefighters top your pizza order from Uptown Pizza, Kafe Beans or Cruisin' In with prevention that evening. If firefighters visit your home before the pizza arrives and you have a working smoke detector, pizza is FREE!**