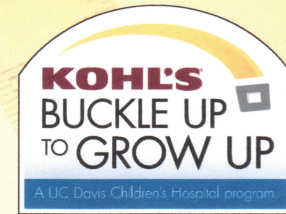


General
Child Seat
Information

Buckle Up to Grow Up!

4 Steps for Kids



Steps	Child Seat Type, Age/Weight/Height	Usage Tips
STEP 1 Rear-facing	Infant-only seat Birth to at least 1 year and at least 20 lbs.* Babies usually outgrow these before age one. Move them to a rear-facing convertible seat (see below). Seats should be secured in the back seat of the vehicle by a safety belt or by the LATCH system.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Never use in a front seat where an air bag is present. • Tightly install child seat in back seat, facing the rear. • Child seat should recline at approximately a 45-degree angle. • Harness straps/slots at or below shoulder level. • Harness straps snug on child; harness clip at armpit level.
	Convertible seat/rear-facing Birth to at least 1 year to at least 20 pounds* Seats should be secured in the back seat of the vehicle by a safety belt or by the LATCH system. <i>*American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that babies ride rear facing in a convertible seat to the maximum rear facing weight limit.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Never use in a front seat where an air bag is present. • Tightly install child seat in the back seat, facing the rear. • Child seat should recline at approximately a 45-degree angle. • Harness straps/slots at or below shoulder level. • Harness straps snug on child; harness clip at armpit level.
STEP 2 Forward-facing	Convertible Seats/forward facing, combination seats, or forward-only seats with a 5 point harness Children should be at least one year of age and over 20 pounds. Children should remain in full harness until they reach the top weight or height allowed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tightly install child seat in the back seat, facing forward. • Harness straps/slots at or above child's shoulders. • Harness straps snug on child; harness clip at armpit level.
	Belt-positioning booster, backless or high back belt-positioning booster 40 lbs to about 80 lbs., unless they are 4'9" (57") tall. High-back boosters seats must be used when the vehicle does not have a head-rest.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Booster used with adult lap and shoulder belt in the back seat. • Shoulder belt should rest snugly across chest, rests on shoulder; and should NEVER be placed under the arm or behind the back. • Lap-belt should rest low, across the lap/upper thigh area – not across the stomach.
STEP 3 Boosters	Vehicle lap and shoulder belt Over 4'9" (57") tall.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All children 12 and under should be in the back seat. • Child can sit with back against vehicle seat back. • Knees bend over the edge of vehicle seat. • Lap belt fits low and snug across thighs. • Shoulder belt crosses the collar-bone and center of chest.
	STEP 4 Seatbelts	



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