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“WHAT’S RIGHT FOR ME?”
A BOOSTER SEAT SAFETY PROGRAM

Dear Parent:

Today your child participated in a program to teach him or her the importance of proper restraint use while in a car. Seat belts alone are not enough. If your child is less than 80 pounds and 4 feet 9 inches tall, seatbelts must be used in conjunction with a booster seat.

Children aged 2 to 5 years who are restrained in an adult safety belt before they have attained the proper weight and height are three and a half times more likely to have a devastating injury than those who are properly restrained in booster seats.

Please take the time to read the accompanying information. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the University of Michigan Program for Injury Research and Education (UMPIRE) or one of the other agencies listed.

Sincerely,

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