## Seat Belt Rules

## Summary

Students will explain the purpose and procedure of wearing a seat belt

## Time Frame

1 class periods of 30 minutes each

## **Group Size**

Large Groups

#### Materials

#### **Teacher Resources**

- Utah's Booster Seat Law

### Copies

- Home Connection English
- Home Connection Spanish

#### **Materials**

Terrific lesson ideas may be found at

http://intermountainhealthcare.org/hospitals/primarychildrens/childhealth/parenting/

Pages/home.aspx

#### Music

"Buckle Up" from CD Take a Stand

### Vocabulary

personal safety

air bag

booster seat

seat belt

# **Background for Teachers**

Lesson at a Glance

Note to teacher:

It is suggested that a local police officer be invited to help teach this lesson.

Introduction

1. Personal Safety Definition

Strategy

- 2. Do's and Don'ts of seat belt use
- 3. Sing "Buckle Up."

Conclusion

4. Role Play

**Home Connection** 

5. Booster Seat Law

# Instructional Procedures

1. Personal Safety Definition

Personal safety means taking care of ourselves and making the right choices so we can remain safe.

#### 2. Do's and Don'ts of seat belt use

Children are safer in an automobile when they wear seat belts.

Children should ride in a car in the back seat. Children under the age of eight (8) should be buckled into booster seats.

Discuss child safety seats, air bags and the Utah Booster Seat Law.

### 3. Role Play

Arrange four chairs to represent the front and back seats of a vehicle.

Have the children practice sitting in the rear seat and buckling themselves into a booster seat.

Have children STOP and THINK before the car moves.

Explain that when you make smart choices over and over again they become smart habits. When you have a smart habit, you do what is right automatically.

## 4. Teach and Sing "Buckle Up"

Use actions, games, role plays, humming and other effective teaching methods to teach the song, "Buckle Up."

### 5. Booster 'Til 8 Parent Brochure

Make a copy of the Home Connection for each student. Send the Home Connection paper home with each student and instruct students share the information with their families.

# Bibliography

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