



**NIPISSING-PARRY SOUND  
STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**

<p>Section <b>Transportation – Student Safety</b></p>	<p>Revised April 11, 2013</p>
<p><b>SS – 009 Booster and Car Seats</b></p>	
<p><b>General Statement</b></p>	<p>In accordance with Bill 73, <i>An Act to Enhance the Safety of Children and Youth on Ontario’s Roads</i>, the Nipissing-Parry Sound Student Transportation Services (NPSSTS) is responsible to ensure that car seats and booster seats are used in vehicles with a seating capacity of less than 10 persons (non chrome yellow school-purpose vehicles) for students who require them by law.</p>
<p><b>Operational Procedure</b></p>	<p>The NPSSTS will supply booster seats as regulated for students who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• are under 8 years of age;</li> <li>• weigh more than 18 kg but less than 36 kg (40-80 lbs); and</li> <li>• are less than 145 cm (4’9”) tall.</li> </ul> <p>The NPSSTS will supply forward facing car seats as regulated for students who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• weigh more than 9 kg but less than 18 kg (20-40 lbs).</li> </ul> <p>Any booster or car seat that has been involved in an accident will be replaced.</p> <p>It is the responsibility of the parents/guardians and school staff to ensure that the students are properly buckled into their seats before a vehicle departs from home to school or from school to home. Drivers are not expected to secure a student or unbuckle them upon their arrival. This applies regardless of the use of a booster seat, car seat or regular seat belt.</p> <p>It is the parent/guardian’s responsibility to contact the NPSSTS when the student no longer meets the above requirements. This applies to students who require a change from a car seat to a booster seat as well as those who no longer require either device.</p> <p>The NPSSTS in coordination with the North Bay-Parry Sound District Health Unit will provide training to its contracted transportation operators on the installation of the booster and car seats. Transportation operators shall provide training on how to install booster and car seats to their drivers who transport young students, to ensure the drivers also know how to secure them correctly in place in their vehicle.</p> <p>The NPSSTS will maintain an inventory of booster and car seats. The booster and car seats shall remain the property of the NPSSTS. Operators will be responsible for the care and cleanliness of booster and car seats.</p>