## Tips for Parents

Let your child help pick out a booster seat. Some include cup-holders, armrests and other cool features.



Let your child decorate the booster seat with fun stickers and his or her name.

Point out the better view and give your child special booster privileges, such as

picking the radio station.

To learn more visit www.CarseatsColorado.com or call 1-877-LUV-TOTS or 303-239-4625 in Metro Denver.



Boost Big Kids

## IT'S NOW

Minimum Fine: \$82



**NOTICE:** Reading this could save your child's life. Colorado's Child Passenger Safety Law expanded as of Aug. 1, 2010.

### CHILDREN AGES 4, 5, 6 & 7 MUST USE A BOOSTER SEAT UNLESS:

- \* The child is small enough to remain in a front-facing car seat, according to manufacturer's instructions (usually less than 40 pounds).
- \* The child is large enough to exceed the upper height or weight limit of the booster seat (usually over 4'9" and 80 pounds).

# Why a booster seat?

Your child is growing up fast, but don't rush him or her into a regular seat belt. If it doesn't fit properly, it won't protect your child in a crash and could actually cause serious injuries or result in being thrown from the car.



Booster seats work by raising a child up so that the lap belt is positioned safely across the hips, and the shoulder belt rests flat across the collar bone. Boosters also make the seat belt more comfortable for children, making it less likely for them to slouch or put the shoulder belt behind them.

#### **Bottom Line**:

Unless your child is either very petite or in line to become the next Bronco's defensive lineman, most kids who are 4, 5, 6 & 7 need a booster seat.

'Types off Booster Seats

- A no-back booster can be used in cars with headrests or a seat back that comes above your child's ears when sitting in the booster. Costs start at about \$15.
  - A high-back booster can be used in a car with or without headrests. Costs range from \$20 to \$100.

All boosters should be used with the vehicle's lap & shoulder belt system, never a lap belt only.