

# Message Cards for Station Leaders

Cut out the boxes below and give it to your station leaders and volunteers. Printing this page on thick paper or card stock is one way to make these cards last through the entire event.

## SEAT BELT AND SAFETY RELAY RACE

### KEY MESSAGES

- All kids should ride in a back seat until they are 13.
- Seat belts must be properly worn to be effective.
- Everyone needs to be buckled in a vehicle.
- Everyone needs to look for kids, toys and pets around a vehicle
- Store all loose objects.

## WHAT'S RIGHT OR WRONG IN THIS VEHICLE

### KEY MESSAGES

- If your eye is trained to know what to look for it can be easy to spot when someone is using their seat belt incorrectly.
- People who know the right way to wear a seat belt or use a car seat can help other people do it right.
- Everyone (drivers and passengers) need to look for kids, toys and pets under or around a car.
- All objects must be secured or placed in a secure location for every trip.

## TECH CHECK PART 1:

### ONSTAR/RED EMERGENCY BUTTON

#### KEY MESSAGES

- OnStar technicians find you in an emergency-after a crash where the airbag deploys.
- You can contact the OnStar technician for non emergency situations by pushing the BLUE button.
- Push the RED emergency button to call 911; this is for all emergencies.
- Do not play with the buttons but know how to use them in an emergency.

## WHAT'S MISSING IN THE PICTURE?

### KEY MESSAGES

- You need a critical eye to see what may be missing from a properly used seat belt or car seat.
- Don't be afraid to tell someone if they are missing something important when they buckle their seat belt or car seat.
- A picture is often a good way to teach someone how to wear their seat belt properly.

## TECH CHECK PART 2:

### AIRBAGS AND TRUNK ENTRAPMENT

#### KEY MESSAGES

- A back seat is the safest spot to sit until kids are 13.
- Air bags must be used with seat belts.
- Air bags can be anywhere in the car.
- Air bags are called many different names.
- Trunks have a glow in the dark release handle. Learn where it is but do not play in trunks.
- Cars after 2001 have release handles in every trunk.

## SCRAMBLED EGGS/SHAKEN BRAIN

### KEY MESSAGES

- Unrestrained occupants do not always stay in a vehicle in a crash.
- Three out of four people who are ejected from a car do not live to talk about that crash.
- You do not have to be going fast to be ejected from a car.
- Seat belts prevent ejection. Wear your seat belt on every ride in every car.
- Seat belts protect very frail people like old people and children in car seats.

## MYTH SLAMMERS

### KEY MESSAGES

- Having good information might save a life.
- Knowledgeable preteens can be good information sources.