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Improper use high, officials say

Child Safety Seat Inspection Offered by Trained Safety Technicians

What are the chances that your child's car seat is installed improperly? Very high, according information collected by the Oak Park Fire Department. Of the more than 200 cars seats inspected so far this year, only about 7 percent of them were installed correctly and used properly.

Officials hope to improve the numbers with a free child car seat check up from 9 a.m. – noon, Sat., Sept. 15 at the Oak Park Fire Department, 100 N. Euclid Ave.

Certified child passenger safety technicians will examine each child safety seat for correct use, installation and recalls. Representatives from the Fire, Police and Health departments also will be available to answer questions and provide safety and educational materials.

Anyone wishing to have a child vehicle seat checked for proper installation needs to bring their vehicle owner's manual and car seat manufacturer's manual, along with the seat to have examined and its passenger.

The event is sponsored by the Village of Oak Park, SAFE KIDS Chicago and community partner Loro Auto Works Collision Repair Center, Inc.

For more information on the seat check up, call 445.3300 or email fire@oak-park.us.

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