never leave a child alone in a car
not even for a minute

Keep those closest to you close at all times.
Left alone in a vehicle, even for a short time, a child is in danger of heat stroke, dehydration, injury, abduction, or death.

- On a 70-degree day, with windows slightly open, the temperature inside a car can exceed 90 degrees in just 10 minutes. At that temperature, a child can quickly suffer heat-related illnesses.
- Dial 911 immediately if you see an unattended child in a car. EMS professionals are trained to determine if a child is in trouble.

Believe it or not, routines and distractions have caused people to mistakenly leave children behind in cars.

- Place a cell phone, bag or whatever is to be carried from the car on the floor of the backseat to serve as an additional reason to check that area.
- Set a reminder on your phone or calendar asking, “Did you drop off at daycare today?”

Prevent trunk entrapment and other accidents.

- Teach children not to play in any vehicle.
- Always lock your car, even at home, and remind your friends and neighbors to do the same. Unlocked cars pose a risk to children who are naturally curious.
- Always keep keys out of children’s reach.