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Winners of Car Seat Safety Program Draw Announced

WHITEHORSE - Following a contest running over one year, Highways and Public Works Minister Archie Lang is pleased to announce the winners of the Child Car Seat Safety Program draw

Highways and Public Works provide free inspection clinics and services to ensure the correct and safe installation of child car seats. In January 2008, an incentive program was introduced that entered children's names into a draw, making them eligible to win one of four \$500 Registered Education Savings Plans (RESP), when their seats were inspected by certified Car Seat Safety Program Inspectors.

"We encourage all people who drive with children younger than nine years of age or shorter than 145 centimeters to take advantage of these services," Lang said. "Our trained and certified technicians will inspect the infant or booster seat for safe installation and offer instructions regarding proper use."

During 2008 there were 51 inspections and from those names entered in the draw, this year's winners are:

- Malcolm Ellis (16 months)
- Sam Epp (9 Months)
- Annie McNeill (24 months)
- Jack Thompson (18 months)

"I congratulate these winners, and thank everyone who participated. This is an opportunity to increase car safety for children and potentially access funds for your child's education," Lang said.

Highways and Public Works will continue this draw for 2009 to encourage more participation by Yukon drivers in the Child Car Seat Safety Program.

For more information on this program, call 667-5832, 1-800-661-0408 extension 5832 or visit our website at www.hpw.gov.yk.ca/trans/transportservices/roadsafety/carseat.

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