



Childhood Agricultural Safety Network

Join Us!

Our goal is to save lives. The Childhood Agricultural Safety Network (CASN) is a coalition of more than 100 organizations that work together to help keep children safe on farms. CASN members represent various sectors of the agricultural industry, child injury prevention, minority-serving associations and other related organizations.



Membership is FREE! Visit cultivatesafety.org/casn for more information.

CASN Online Community


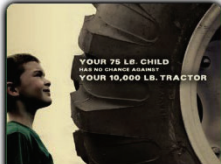

Our online community belongs to all CASN members and serves as a dynamic alternative to traditional one-way mailing lists. CASN members can stay informed about news and events, educational opportunities, presentations, topical polls and social conversations. Join the community to join the conversation! Visit childagsafety.org.

Visit topic areas and post and engage in online discussions about topics like:

- ◆ Child Ag Injury Incidents
- ◆ News and Announcements
- ◆ Child Ag Safety & Health Resources
- ◆ CASN Campaigns
- ◆ Meetings and Events

CASN Campaigns

CASN creates and releases campaigns, with each tailored toward a specific area of child safety and health. These campaigns include free distributable materials and action points to help raise awareness about the often understated dangers to children on farms.

 <p>ATVs and UTVs</p> <p>Whether you are riding to work or riding to play, please ride to live by being safe.</p> <p>Learn More</p>	 <p>Tractors</p> <p>YOUR 75 LB. CHILD 100 FT. CHANCE AGAINST YOUR 10,000 LB. TRACTOR</p> <p>In just seconds, a child can fall off and be crushed by the tractor wheels or a pull-behind implement.</p> <p>Learn More</p>	 <p>MEDIA GUIDELINES BY AGRICULTURAL SAFETY</p> <p>Media Guidelines</p> <p>Photos and videos are often used as "attention getters," but sometimes "cute" is unsafe.</p> <p>Learn More</p>
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A Story of Loss

The Boomsma Family of Yankton, S.D., lost their 7-year-old son in a tractor-related incident at a relative's farm in April 2017. Jaxon was an extra rider. The Boomsmas decided to tell their story (marshfieldresearch.org/nccrahs/storytelling/jaxon) in order to prevent other families from going through a similar tragedy.

"I know how hard it is to say no to a child, especially when it's something they love to do like ride a tractor, but we all have to say 'no,'" said Troy Boomsma, Jaxon's father and a territory manager with Pioneer Seeds/Corteva AgriScience.



The Boomsma's are not alone. Since Jaxon's death, there have been many other fatalities involving children and tractors. Here are a few:

- A 4-year-old girl in Connecticut died after getting trapped in the rotating blades of a farm machine attached to her father's tractor.
- A 9-year-old boy died after falling off a tractor that was pulling a mower. The boy was sitting on the lap of his father.
- A 12-year-old girl died in a tractor rollover along with the adult operator of the tractor. They were pinned under the machine.
- A 10-year-old died after falling from a farm tractor. The boy was riding on the tractor's fender when the tractor hit a bump. A family member was driving.

CASN members work together to help prevent agricultural-related injuries and fatalities to children and youth. Founded in 1999, the coalition now boasts over 170 members, representing 100+ organizations.

Why Join CASN?

- ◆ Stay abreast of the latest news in the world of child ag safety and health
- ◆ Easy access to collaborators with similar interests
- ◆ Free technical assistance
- ◆ Access to free resources and information
- ◆ Extends reach when promoting and disseminating resources
- ◆ Free to join

Want to join CASN?

Simply reach out to Marsha Salzwedel at salzwedel.marsha@marshfieldresearch.org OR request to join the CASN online community at childagsafety.org



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