

**MASSACHUSETTS ASSOCIATION
FOR
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SAVE THE DATE

SEATBELTS ON SCHOOL BUSES

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2011

9:30 A.M.

**ASSABET VALLEY REGIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL
MARLBOROUGH, MA**

NHTSA's final rule on occupant protection did not solve the seat belt dilemma; it just pushed the hard work of making decisions down to the state and local levels. Using all the latest data from state and national sources, **Robin Leeds** provides a balanced presentation of the safety, operational, and cost implications of adding safety restraints to school buses. This provocative presentation won't give you a definitive answer, but it will help you ask the right questions.

Robin has worked on two transportation studies for the National Academies of Science and is a member of the Transportation Research Board's School Transportation subcommittee. She is also a member of two Federal Advisory Committees, one at the Environmental Protection Agency and one at the Department of Homeland Security. She is President of the Board of Directors of the Pupil Transportation Safety Institute (PTSI), a national nonprofit educational organization based in Syracuse, NY, and was a contributing editor of School Transportation News. She has twice testified before NHTSA on the issue of school bus occupant protection. Robin has been recognized by School Bus Fleet and STN as well as the Governor of Connecticut for her contributions to school transportation.

A popular speaker and media resource, Robin has appeared on CBS This Morning, NBC Nightly News, CNN, and MSNBC, as well as hundreds of other radio, television, and newspaper outlets. She has authored articles for education publications, opinion pieces for newspapers, and expert reports on various aspects of the school transportation industry.