Walk Safely to School — Tips for Kids

Provide these tips to parents and students before your walk to school event. Post them on your school website or feature them in your newsletter.

Walk together
Younger children should always walk with an adult.

If your parents say that you can walk to school on your own, remember these tips:

• Walk with a friend when possible.
• Ask your parents to help you pick a safe route to school.
• Stick to the route you picked with your parents.
• When you are near the street, don’t push, shove, or chase each other.
• Never hitchhike or take rides from people not arranged by your parents.
• Talk to your parents and teacher about any bullying that may happen during your walk.

Be seen
Remember, drivers may not be able to see you well. Wear bright-colored clothes when you walk. If it is dark outside or hard to see, carry flashlights or wear reflective gear.

Look for traffic
Watch out for cars and trucks at every driveway and intersection on your walk to school.

Cross the street safely

• Stop at the curb or edge of the street.
• Look left, right, left and behind you and in front of you for traffic.
• Wait until no traffic is coming and begin crossing. And keep looking for traffic
• Walk, don’t run across the street.

Obey traffic signs, signals and school crossing guards!

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