

PEDESTRIAN SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's Traffic Safety Announcement Is:

Don't forget safety when walking:

- When crossing the street wait until the street is clear – don't take chances
 - Make eye contact with any drivers and make sure they can see you
 - Watch in all directions as you cross the street
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When you're walking:

- Stop at the curb or side of the road before crossing;
 - Look left, then right, then left again; and
 - Always listen for traffic.
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As you're coming to school or walking to a friend's house cross the street at intersections or crosswalks. That way, drivers can see you. Never walk or run out between parked cars or other obstacles because chances are, you won't be seen.

If possible, cross the street where there is a traffic light and walk only when the "Walk" sign is on. As you're crossing, walk quickly across the intersection, but do not run.

At intersections with crossing signals, wait for the "Walk" sign before crossing the street. If the crossing signal changes to "Don't Walk" while you're crossing the street, continue to cross quickly but safely.

Be Safe Be Seen. An important message to make sure drivers and bikers can see you. Wear reflective tape on your clothing if walking at dusk. Never cross at a dangerous spot - like on a curve in the road or the bottom of a hill.

When you are walking to school, there are some smart things that you can do to keep yourself safe. Always walk on the sidewalk. If there isn't a sidewalk, always walk on the left hand side of the road. That way drivers coming toward you, can see you.

When in a group, if you don't think it's safe to cross the street, stand up for yourself and Wait.

When walking down the street or a country road always stop at driveways or laneways to make sure no one is driving out the lane. Always listen for the sound of a vehicle.

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