

Pedestrian Safety



There are things you can do to keep your child safe. Please use this flyer to help you remember what to do.

- Show kids how to be a safe pedestrian by your own actions.
- Teach kids pedestrian safety rules too.
- Make sure kids can be seen when they are walking.

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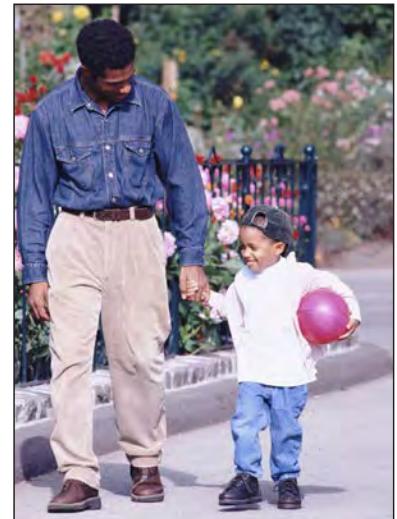
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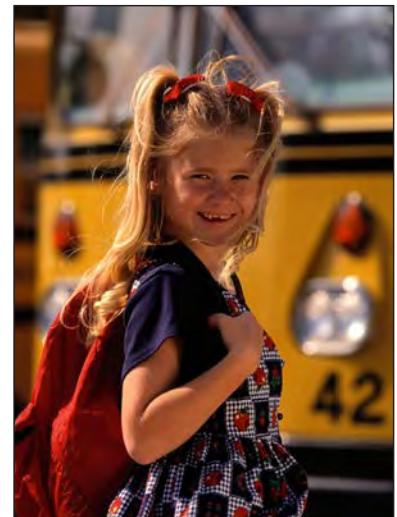
Set a Good Example

- Cross streets at a corner. Use signals and crosswalks when they are there.
- Make eye contact with drivers before crossing in front of them.
- Look left, right and left again before crossing. Keep looking as you cross.
- Walk across streets. Don't run.
- Walk on sidewalks or paths. If there are no sidewalks, face traffic and stay left.
- Watch for cars that are turning or backing up.



Rules for Kids

- Teach kids all of the safe walking rules to follow.
- Never allow kids under age 10 to cross streets alone.
- Tell kids never to run into the street for any reason. They shouldn't chase a ball, a pet or anything else.
- Make sure kids use direct routes with the fewest street crossings.
- Teach kids to cross 10 feet in front of the school bus, never behind.
- Make sure kids play in safe places like yards, parks and playgrounds. Kids should never play in the street.
- Hold kids' hands in parking lots and while crossing the street.



Being Seen

- Keep kids from walking alone when it's hard to be seen. That includes dawn, dusk, the early evening and rainy and foggy weather.
- Make sure kids wear retroreflective materials. They bounce back light so the wearer can be seen. Retroreflective materials are found on clothes, shoes, stickers and arm and leg bands.

