

Safety Tips for Kids Walking to School

- Cross at a cross walk and follow the instructions of the crossing guard or the walk/don't walk signal while preparing to cross the street.
- Always look left , right, left before crossing.
- Always wait until there is no oncoming traffic before crossing.
- Walk, don't run across the street.
- Don't walk while using ear buds, texting, or doing anything else that may prevent you from hearing traffic or distract your attention.
- Pay close attention to your surroundings.
- Always walk with a buddy.
- Avoid using secluded shortcuts.
- If a car stops to ask for directions or for help finding a lost pet, never approach the vehicle.
- Never take rides from strangers, or even people you know, without permission from your parents.
- If someone calls out to you, approaches you, or makes you feel uncomfortable, quickly walk away and report what took place to an adult.



Safety Tips for Kids Riding a Bike to School

- Ride on the right side of the road going with the flow of traffic.
- Ride in a straight line when riding with other bikers, not side by side.
- When turning, look back for cars and use your hand signal.
- Yield to traffic when appropriate. If you see people walking across the street, stop and wait for them to cross.
- Always stop at the end of your driveway and look left, right, and then left again before bicycling into the road.
- Watch for cars backing out of driveways and for cross traffic at intersections.
- Use your eyes AND ears. Don't wear earphones or listen to music while you are riding so you can hear traffic.
- Watch for and avoid dangers that can cause crashes, such as potholes, loose gravel or dogs.
- Avoid using secluded shortcuts.
- If a car stops to ask for directions or for help finding a lost pet, never approach the vehicle.
- Never take rides from strangers, or even people you know, without permission from your parents.
- If someone calls out to you, approaches you, or makes you feel uncomfortable, quickly ride away and report what took place to an adult.

