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SCHOOL SAFETY TIPS

- ✓ DO NOT PUT YOUR NAME ON BOOKBAGS OR GARMENTS FOR STRANGERS TO SEE.
- ✓ ALWAYS KNOW YOUR FULL NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER AND MOM AND DADS FULL NAME.
- ✓ PARENTS AND CHILDREN SHOULD ESTABLISH A DROP OFF AND PICKUP MEETING LOCATION.
- ✓ LEAVE FOR SCHOOL ON TIME, TRY NOT TO BE LATE, OR TOO EARLY.
- ✓ ALWAYS WALK IN A GROUP, DO NOT WALK ALONE.
- ✓ DO NOT WALK IN ALLEYS; ALWAYS WALK ON THE MAIN STREETS, TAKE THE MOST DIRECT ROUTE, DO NOT TAKE SIDE STREETS.
- ✓ DO NOT STOP TO TALK AND ANSWER QUESTIONS FROM STRANGERS.
- ✓ DO NOT ACCEPT RIDES FROM STRANGERS.





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- ✓ ALWAYS CROSS AT THE CROSSWALK.
- ✓ WALK ON THE SIDEWALK, NEVER WALK IN THE STREET.
- ✓ LOOK BOTH WAYS BEFORE CROSSING THE STREET
- ✓ CHILDREN SHOULD WAIT ON THE GRASS OR SIDEWALK WHILE WAITING FOR THE BUS.
- ✓ CHILDREN SHOULD MAKE SURE THEY CAN SEE THE BUS DRIVER AND THE BUS DRIVER.
- ✓ CAN SEE THEM BEFORE CROSSING IN FRONT OF THE BUS.
- ✓ CHILDREN SHOULD NEVER WALK BEHIND THE BUS.
- ✓ AFTER LEAVING SCHOOL CHILDREN SHOULD GO STRAIGHT HOME, NO PLAYING OR UNNECESSARY STOPS.
- ✓ BE ALERT, WALK WITH CONFIDENCE AND PURPOSE.





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SCHOOL SAFETY TIPS

- ✓REPORT ALL INCIDENTS TO A PARENT OR SCHOOL OFFICIAL.
- ✓GET A DESCRIPTION OF SUSPICIOUS PEOPLE OR VEHICLES FOLLOWING YOU, A LICENSE PLATE NUMBER.
- ✓STUDENTS SHOULD NEVER BE ALONE ON THE PLAYGROUND.
- ✓DON'T WEAR CLOTHES OR SHOES THAT RESTRICT MOVEMENT.
- ✓IF SOMEONE IS WALKING TOWARD YOU, CROSS THE STREET, IF THEY CROSS WHEN YOU CROSS, RUN TO A PORCH AND MAKE A LOUD NOISE. (YELL **FIRE**)
- ✓DON'T TAKE SHORTCUTS BETWEEN VACANT LOTS OR HOUSES.
- ✓WALK TOWARD BUSINESSES THAT ARE OPEN OR HOUSES THAT ARE WELL LIT.
- ✓DON'T LET YOUR MIND WANDER; DON'T WEAR HEADPHONES OR SEARCH THROUGH PURSES OR BOOK BAGS.





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- ✓DON'T LET YOUR MIND WANDER; DON'T WEAR HEADPHONES OR SEARCH THROUGH PURSES OR BOOK BAGS.
- ✓DON'T WALK CLOSE TO THE CURB, WALK ON THE SIDEWALK.
- ✓PLAN YOUR ROUTE, AVOID DARK AREAS OR STREETS THAT ARE HIDING PLACES; ATTRACT HELP ANYWAY YOU CAN, SCREAM, WAVE YOUR HANDS.
- ✓SOMEONE IN YOUR FAMILY SHOULD KNOW YOUR ROUTE TO SCHOOL.
- ✓KNOW A SAFE PLACE TO GO FOR HELP, GAS STATIONS, STORES AND RESTAURANTS.
- ✓GET RID OF THE ATTITUDE "IT CAN'T HAPPEN TO ME".
- ✓REMEMBER 911 IS FREE ON PAYPHONES, KNOW YOUR LOCATION.
- ✓PAY ATTENTION TO PEOPLE AND CARS WHO PASS YOU; THEY MAY BE SIZING YOU UP.





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SCHOOL SAFETY TIPS

- ✓TEACH YOUR CHILDREN HOW TO REDUCE THEIR RISK OF BEING VICTIMS OF CRIME.
- ✓PARENTS KNOW WHERE YOUR KIDS ARE, WHAT THEY ARE DOING, AND WHOM THEY ARE WITH- AT ALL TIMES.
- ✓PARENTS MAKE SURE YOUR CHILDREN TRAVEL TO AND FROM SCHOOL IN GROUPS. REMEMBER THERE ARE SAFETY IN NUMBERS.
- ✓ALWAYS TELL YOUR CHILDREN TO USE WELL LIGHTED ROUTES. TRAVEL THE MAIN SCHOOL ROUTES USED BY MOST STUDENTS.
- ✓PARENTS KNOW WHICH BUSINESSES ARE OPEN IN YOUR NEIGHBOREHOOD, E.G., GAS STATIONS, STORES.
- ✓PARENTS VOLUNTEER TO WATCH CHILDREN IF YOU LIVE ALONG A ROUTE TRAVELED BY SCHOOL CHILDREN.





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SCHOOL SAFETY TIPS

✓VOLUNTEER TO WATCH CERTAIN KEY INTERSECTIONS IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD.

✓START A CAR POOL TO DRIVE STUDENTS TO AND FROM SCHOOL.

✓PARENTS WHILE DRIVING YOUR CHILDREN TO AND FROM SCHOOL, BE OBSERVANT FOR ANY PROBLEMS INVOLVING SCHOOL CHILDREN ALONG THE WAY. CALL 9-1-1 FOR EMERGENCIES.



BACK TO
SCHOOL

