

# WALKING SAFETY TIPS

## DRESS *to be* SEEN

Wear bright colored clothing or reflective gear if it is dark. Bright colors are more visible during the day and light colors are more visible in the evening and night.

## USE SIDEWALKS *when available*



Walk facing oncoming traffic if there is no sidewalk.

## WALK *with* OTHERS

Walk with an adult, other students, or a buddy.

## CROSS *at* CORNERS

Cross at corners or at a marked crosswalk. This is where drivers expect you. Look left, right, then left again before crossing the street. At a four-way intersection, look over your shoulder for cars that may be turning.

## LISTEN *for* ONCOMING CARS

Listen for oncoming cars that may be behind a parked car, tree, or other obstacle.

## FOLLOW DIRECTIONS

Follow directions from crossing guards and safety patrols.

## *Use* CROSSING SIGNALS *carefully*

Stop at the curb or edge of the street. Push the button and wait for the walk signal, look left, right, left behind you and in front of you for traffic. Wait until no car is coming and then begin crossing.

## *Use* EYE CONTACT



Use eye contact and hand signals to communicate before crossing. Don't assume drivers see you.



## CROSSWALK *Reminders*



**STOP**  
at the curb



**LOOK**  
left, right and behind you



**MAKE EYE CONTACT**  
with drivers



**CROSS**  
with heads up and looking around



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