

- Check your children's candy before they eat it.
- Remind children to NEVER enter anyone's home or car.
- Have all children trick or treat in groups.
- Set a time for trick or treaters to be home.
- Tie small glow sticks or use reflective tape on your child's costume so they are easily seen in the dark.
- Always walk; never run across the street.
- Have adults walk the neighborhood to discourage malicious mischief and keep children safe.
- Remind children to stay in populated places and not use back alleys or fields.
- Avoid replica toy guns; they might be mistaken for the real thing.
- Children should obey all traffic signs and look before crossing the street. Never cross between parked cars, in the middle of a block or diagonally through intersections.
- Do not leave your home unattended and keep pets inside.
- Use Jack-O-Lanterns of high intensity glow sticks to light porch steps to make sure Trick or Treaters are safe walking up to house.
- Only give out commercially wrapped treats.
- Have an old fashioned neighborhood Halloween block party to get to know neighbors.
- Obey all traffic and pedestrian regulations.
- Only trick or treat in neighborhoods where you know residents and at houses with porch lights on.
- Make sure young children are accompanied by an adult or responsible teenager when they go door-to-door.

## FOR EMERGENCIES CALL 911



For additional safety questions, please contact the Fort Wayne Police Department's Crime Prevention Unit at 260-427-5999.



