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Back to School Safety Tips

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As summer draws to a close and children start heading back to school The Salt Lake City Police Department would like all children to be safe for the upcoming school year. It's important to educate and share with your children some key tips that will keep them safe throughout the upcoming school year. The Salt Lake City Police Department recommends the following:

- Plan a walking route to school or the bus stop. Chose the most direct route with the fewest hazards.
- Walk on the sidewalk; if there is no sidewalk and you must walk in the street, walk facing traffic.
- Cross the street at designated crosswalks.
- Wear reflective material.
- Prior to crossing the street, stop and look left, right and left again.
- Have your child walk to and from school with a friend or sibling.
- Make sure your child knows their telephone number and home address.
- When riding a bicycle always wear a helmet that is fitted and properly secured. Helmets should be labeled and meet standards set by the Consumer Product Safety Commission.
- When riding a bicycle stay to the far right of the roadway or designated bicycle lane.
- In the event of an emergency educate your child on how to contact emergency medical service or law enforcement.
- Never talk to strangers.



BACK TO SCHOOL ROAD SAFETY TIPS

- Stay Alert
- Allow extra time to drive
- Watch for pedestrians and bicyclists
- Do not text while driving
- In a school zone when flashers are blinking, drive the posted speed limit and yield to pedestrians crossing the crosswalk or intersection.
- Never pass a bus from behind.

RESOURCES

- To report traffic complaints or to request enforcement <http://slcpd.com/speedwatches/lc/>
- To report transient camps or ongoing issues dealing with homeless individuals <http://www.slchost.org/>
- For crime statistics <http://slcpd.com/crimestatistics/>

Want to help keep your neighborhood safe?

Join Salt Lake City Volunteer Corps or start a Neighborhood Watch.

For more information, visit www.slcpd.com or call 801-799-6397

