

# 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. Carry a flashlight to be sure you're seen!

## USE SIDEWALKS WHEN AVAILABLE

Walk facing oncoming traffic if there is no sidewalk.

## WALK TOGETHER WITH WSFCS!

Start planning a Park & Walk, Walking School Bus, or Walk/Bike/Roll to School Day event with resources from the City of Winston-Salem:

<https://www.cityofws.org/3160/Safe-Routes-to-School-Non-Infrastructure>

## 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.

## WALK WITH OTHERS

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

## 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 with drivers before crossing. Don't assume drivers see you.

## FOLLOW DIRECTIONS

Follow directions from crossing guards and safety patrols.

## Crosswalk Reminders



### STOP

at the curb's edge.



### LOOK

left, right, left again, and behind you.



### MAKE EYE CONTACT

with drivers.



### CROSS

with heads up and looking around