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Safety Tips for Halloween

- **Stay visible** Wear brightly-colored costumes with reflective Stripes.
- **Carry flashlights** so kids can see and cars can see them.
- **Make sure costumes fit well.** Also, to help kids see, try face paint or make-up instead of mask. Opt for costumes made of flame-resistant materials.
- **Always cross the street on a corner.** Gather the kids together in a group and hold hands while crossing the street. It's easier for drivers to see groups than single kids.
- **Only allow appropriate shoes.**
- **Inspect the bag of goodies** before letting the kids dig in. Make sure the wrappers are on candy and have not been opened. Examine and wash any fruits before eating it.

- Despite calling it trick or treats, tricks are usually vandalism and vandalism leads to violence. Make sure that your kids do not participate in any type of tricking.
- Make sure each group has a **cell phone** in case they may need to **call 911**. Understand how to call 911 from a cell phone.

Tips provided by the **Terrebonne Parish Sheriff's Department**

Sheriff Vernon Bourgeois