

# HALLOWEEN SAFETY

## Mundelein Police Department

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### Trick-Or-Treating Safety Tips



## Halloween Safety

- H** Hold a flashlight while trick-or-treating to help you see and others see you. Make sure you walk and not run from house to house.
- A** Always test make-up in a small area first. Remove it before bedtime to prevent possible skin and eye irritation.
- L** Look both ways before crossing the street. Use established crosswalks.
- L** Lower your risk for serious eye injury by not wearing decorative contact lenses.
- O** Only walk on sidewalks. If not possible, walk along the far edge of the road facing traffic.
- W** Wear well-fitting masks, costumes, and shoes to avoid blocked vision, trips, and falls.
- E** Eat only factory-wrapped treats. Avoid eating homemade treats made by strangers.
- E** Enter homes only if you're with a trusted adult. Only visit well-lit houses. Don't stop at dark houses. Never accept rides from strangers.
- N** Never walk near lit candles or luminaries. Be sure to wear flame resistant costumes.

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### Special points of interest:

- **Trick-or-Treating Hours:** Tuesday, October 31, 2017 4:00 —8:00 p.m.
- Information on sex offenders living in Mundelein and restrictions regarding handing out Halloween candy can be found at <http://police.mundelein.org/content/registered-sex-offenders-living-mundelein>
- If you have any questions please contact Officer Bush at 847-968-4600.

### Suggestions for Homeowners for making Halloween a fun night of Trick-or-Treat:



To ensure Trick-or-Treaters, you, and your house stay safe, remember the following tips.

- Children should never take shortcuts through backyards, alleys, or parks.
- Do not leave your home unattended on Halloween night.
- Keep your house well lit, both inside and out.
- Be sure your pets are secured.
- Never invite children into your home.
- Clear your yard and sidewalk of any obstacles or decorations that may be hard to see in the dark.
- Report any suspicious or criminal activity to the police department.



### Mundelein Park District Boo Bash

The Mundelein Police Department participates in the Mundelein Park District's BOO BASH for children ages 3-11 (Must be accompanied by an adult).

Kids can Trick-or-Treat indoors for Free candy, then enjoy special areas for games, giveaways and prizes courtesy of the Mundelein Park District, local businesses and community organizations.

FREE Event—Wear your Costumes!

Saturday, October 28, 2017 4:-00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Mundelein Community Center—1401 North Midlothian Road

Contact the Park District at 847-566-0650 for event details.

## CANDY CHECK



Make sure to remove any candy that isn't packaged or may present a choking hazard (such as peanuts or small hazard candies).

To save yourself time when you first get home and kids want to dig into their stash, bring along a second bag to deposit "safe" candy—treats from houses of people that you know well.

Immediately toss any items that are suspect in any way. Notify the police if harmful items are found.



Mundelein Police Officers will be participating in a program called Trunk or Treat and will be handing out candy on Halloween. As we are patrolling the neighborhoods during Trick or Treat hours we will be stopping to pass out candy. Send your photos with the officers to [mpd@mundelein.org](mailto:mpd@mundelein.org) or tag us on Facebook, the officer with the most photos will receive a special prize.



Regardless of whether you are a parent of a young child, a resident who most likely will be inundated with happy ghosts and goblins, the key to Halloween is to stay safe. The Mundelein Police Department will have extra police officers in both marked and unmarked cars patrolling the Village to ensure that your children are safe and vandalism is minimized. Please report any suspicious persons or acts of vandalism to the Mundelein Police Department. Have a happy and safe Halloween.

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