Halloween Safety

Halloween is a great time of year for many children. We should continue to follow safe practices regarding COVID-19 during Halloween activities. Here are some tips to keep everyone safe this spooky season.

General Safety Tips:

- Young children should always walk with a trusted adult, especially after dark.
- Cross at crosswalks, use sidewalks and use extra care when crossing streets.
- Never enter a home or car for a treat.
- Wear something bright to be sure you can be seen at night (reflective tape, flashlight, glowsticks, etc).
- Avoid costumes with tripping hazards and sharp objects such as sticks, canes or swords.
- Check treats for sealed packaging and remove any treats that may be choking hazards.

Staying Safe While Doing Indoor and Outdoor Activities with Others:

- People 2 years and older should wear a mask in indoor public places.
- In general, you do not need to wear a mask in outdoor settings. However, due to current high numbers of COVID-19 cases, everyone should consider wearing a mask in crowded outdoor settings and for activities with close contact with others who are not fully vaccinated.
- People with a weakened immune system should consider wearing a well-fitted mask, even if they have been vaccinated, as the vaccine may not fully protect them.

Note: A Halloween mask does not protect you from the spread of germs like a face mask. It is not recommended to wear a Halloween mask over a face mask because it can block vision and also cause difficulty breathing in some children.

