

Stranger Safety Tips



- Don't talk to strangers.
- Keep your distance from strangers (at least two to three car lengths away).
- Do not approach vehicles or let a stranger attempt to talk you into getting closer to a vehicle.
 - The stranger may talk softer in an attempt to get you closer.
 - The stranger may hold something out (i.e. picture of a missing dog) and ask the child to look at the picture.
- Remind your child that adults never ask unknown children for assistance.
 - Never help an adult look for their missing child or a missing pet.
- Remind your child that the Stranger may even say his/her name, but maintain a safe distance.



- Don't take anything from a stranger.
- Never go anywhere with someone you don't know.
- Trust your instincts, if you feel you are being followed or something is not right, seek help immediately.
- Use the buddy system, walk and play with friends and family.
- Older children should be reminded to help watch over younger children while outside. Older siblings love to feel in charge, use this as a way to apply the buddy system.
- Run and scream. Yell for help.
 - Go to a trusted adult – teacher, coach, police officer, other parent, or older siblings.
- If a stranger grabs you, do everything you can to stop him or her from pulling you away. Drop to the ground, kick, hit, bite, and scream.
- Do whatever it takes to attract the attention of others who can help you. If someone is dragging you away, scream, "this is not my dad," or "this is not my mom."
- If it is safe to do so (from inside the house) attempt to get a description of the vehicle (color, make model, license plate) or the person. Take a picture or video if possible.
- Report any suspicious activity to your local police / Sheriff's Department immediately.

