



# Straight Talk – Smart Walk

Pedestrian Safety Program

## Safe Walking Tips for Kids



When your parents think you are old enough, they will let you play outside and walk to school with your brothers, sisters or friends. They trust you to remember that cars can be very dangerous. Here are some tips to help you be safe!

### What should you do when crossing a street?

- Use a crosswalk
- Use the pedestrian push button at crosswalks
- Look both ways — left, right and then left again
- Cross only during the WALK sign if there is a traffic light
- Make eye contact with drivers to make sure they see you
- Remember to walk, not run
- Listen to crossing guards near your school
- Don't cross the street until all cars have come to a complete stop – especially school buses or ice cream trucks



### What should you do when walking down the street in your neighborhood?

- Look for cars backing out of driveways
- Listen for traffic
- Walk on the sidewalk

### What should you do when playing near a street?

- Always stop and look before running into the street, even for a ball or a pet
- Don't play in driveways or parking lots – too many cars!
- Make sure you have your parent's permission

Always tell your Mom, Dad or responsible adult where you are. Make sure you have their permission before walking somewhere by yourself. Be street smart!

**Red, Yellow, Green!**  
**Stop, Caution, Go!**

