







**Families should approach trick-or-treat differently this year  
in order to reduce their risk of exposure to COVID-19.  
Here are some suggestions for enjoying a safe Halloween:**

-  Avoid having children select their own treats from a common container.
-  Limit the number of houses you visit and ask your children to stay as far as possible from anyone you don't live with. Celebrate Halloween in your own community, and don't visit other areas.
-  Wipe off candy wrappers with sanitizing wipes, and allow children to eat only factory-wrapped treats. Avoid homemade treats made by strangers.
-  If your child is at greater risk of serious illness from COVID-19, contact your doctor before allowing participation in Halloween activities. Decorating your home and hiding treats can be a fun alternative to trick-or-treating.
-  A costume mask is not a safe substitute for a cloth mask. A costume mask should not be used unless it is made of two or more layers of breathable fabric that covers the mouth and nose and doesn't leave gaps around the face.
-  Do not wear a costume mask over a protective cloth mask because it could become hard to breathe. Instead, consider using a Halloween-themed cloth mask.

