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The City is hosting the sixth annual Burleson Old Town Boo Bash on Saturday, Oct. 26, 6 p.m.-8 p.m. in Old Town Burleson. Several groups and neighborhoods are hosting festivities on Oct. 31. What can you do to keep your children safe and what can drivers do to keep trick or treaters safe? The Burleson Police Department, American Academy of Pediatrics and Safe Kids have some tips for everyone.

Children under the age of 12 should not be trick or treating without adult supervision.

Costumes should be bright and reflective. If they are not, you can add reflective tape or striping to the costumes and the trick or treat bags to make them more visible. Make sure the costumes are flame resistant.

Masks can limit or block your vision and your peripheral view, so opt for non-toxic makeup and decorative hats that fit snugly.

Trick or treaters and the adults should carry flashlights with fresh batteries. Carry a fully charged cell phone, stay in a group and communicate the route.

Walk on well-lit streets and always use the sidewalk. If there are not sidewalks, walk as far to the left as possible, facing traffic. Cross the street at corners. Look both ways when crossing. Watch for cars that are turning or backing up and never dart out in to the street or cross between parked cars. Don't use the cell phone when walking.

If trick or treaters are older than 12, agree on a specific time to return home.

Only go to homes with a porch light on and never enter a home or car for a treat. Wait until the children are home before eating the treats. Parents should sort and check treats and throw away any spoiled, unwrapped or suspicious items.

Drivers, slow down and stay alert for excited trick-or-treaters. Enter and exit driveways and alleys slowly. Turn your headlights on earlier in the day so it will be easier to spot children from greater distances.

For more information email the community resource officers at cro@burlesontx.com.