



Many children walk to and from school, and it's crucial that they understand that safety practices for walking are just as important as those for riding on a school bus or in a car. Unintentional pedestrian injuries are the second leading cause of death in the United States for children ages 5 to 14, according to data presented on www.safekids.org.

To prevent pedestrian injuries, children can follow some simple guidelines:

- Always cross streets at corners where there are traffic signals and designated crosswalks.
- Make eye contact with drivers before crossing in front of them.
- Always walk on sidewalks. If there are no sidewalks, walk facing traffic.
- Always look left, right and left again before crossing the street.
- Be aware of cars that are turning or backing up.
- Never run out into the street or cross between parked cars.
- Wear retro-reflective materials to make sure that you can be seen.