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Attorney General Moody's Week In Review - Oct. 29, 2021



With Halloween approaching this weekend, many Floridians are preparing to celebrate by getting costumes ready and purchasing candy to hand out to trick-or-treaters. But the celebration can quickly turn to real fright if planning and safety precautions are not part of the festivities. Ahead of Halloween, I am issuing tips for safe trick-or-treating. As a parent, I know it is very important we make clear plans with our children before going out into neighborhoods, especially in the evening and at night.

If your plans include trick-or-treating, follow the tips below to make sure everyone in your group stays safe:

- Be sure children walk in well-lit areas and stay in sight of a trusted adult;
- Plan a safe route and make sure everyone in the group knows the returning address, telephone number and how to call 911 in case of an emergency;
- Never enter a stranger's home or vehicle;
- Throw away candy that is unwrapped or looks suspicious; and
- Watch for trick-or-treaters when driving.

In addition, parents and guardians can visit the [Florida Department of Law Enforcement website](#) to see a list of all registered sex offenders and predators living within a five-mile radius of any Florida neighborhood. [Florida law](#) prohibits sex offenders from distributing candy or other items to children on Halloween. Notify authorities if you encounter a registered sex offender handing out candy.

By following these simple steps, you can enjoy the festivities without any real scares, and help

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