

# SafeRoutes To School



Sonoma County Bicycle Coalition

## Walk Smart Top Tips to stay safe while walking.



### Crossing the Street

When crossing the street it is best to use a crosswalk and/or corner and make eye contact. Crossing between parked cars is not safe.



### Sidewalks

If there is a sidewalk be safe and use it. If there is no sidewalk walk facing traffic so you can see what is coming.



### Driveways

People backing out of or entering a driveway do not always have a clear view of the sidewalk. Always stop and check for oncoming traffic before entering a driveway.



### Dress to Be Seen

Wear light and bright colors they are easier to see and make you more visible to other people using the road.



### Practice Safe Behavior

Don't play around with friends or push. Don't let toys, iPods, or cell phones distract you.



### Signals and Crosswalks Help

These tools do not tell you when it is safe to cross. You still have to stop and check for traffic everytime you cross the street.



### Stop Look and Listen

Look left, right, left and all around, then listen for traffic before crossing the street.



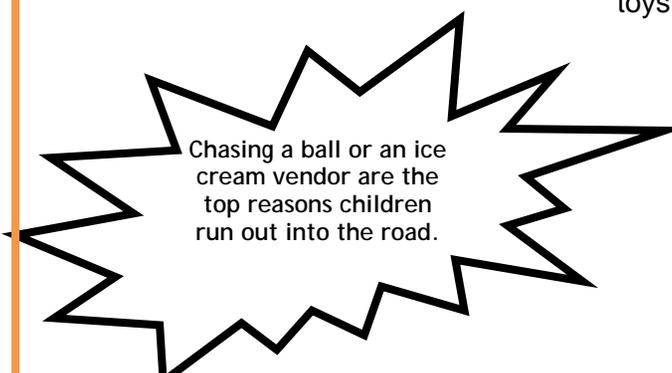
### Yield to Oncoming Traffic

Cars are bigger than you. Make eye contact with drivers before stepping out into a crosswalk or intersection.



### Parking Lot Safety

Parking lots have a lot of traffic coming from multiple directions. Walk, don't run. Stay close to an adult or older child. Be on the lookout for tail lights. If you see a car backing up FREEZE and make eye contact before passing behind it.



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