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A HALLOWEEN LETTER TO MY MOM AND DAD



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DEAR MOM AND DAD ...

Here are some ideas McGruff taught me for a safer Halloween!

Before I go Trick-or-Treating, I should:

- Make sure my costume is easy to see. McGruff says that light colors or reflective tape are good to use;
- Make sure that my costume is short enough so I won't trip on it;
- Carry a flashlight so I can see and people can see me;
- Use make-up instead of a mask;
- Get help from you to decide where to Trick-or-Treat. That way you will know where I am; and
- Have you walk with me. If you can't go, then someone older than me should keep me company.

Maybe we could have a HALLOWEEN PARTY instead of Trick -or-Treating!



McGRUFF SAYS THAT WHEN I GO TRICK-OR-TREATING, I SHOULD DO THESE THINGS:

- Go while it is still light outside;
- Cross only at corners and never cross the street between parked cars;
- Walk only on well-lit streets and stay on the sidewalks;
- Walk facing traffic if there are no sidewalks;
- Wait until I get home to eat my treats so that you can check them for me; and
- Make sure I get home on time so that you won't worry.



McGruff says that after Trick-or-Treating, we need to check all of my treats and throw away things that are not wrapped.

McGruff says to call the police if we see anything that doesn't look safe.

THANK YOU
FOR HELPING ME!

A SAFE HALLOWEEN
IS A HAPPY ONE!

LOVE,

YOUR CHILD

