Safety Tips for walking to and from school

Reminders
- Walk in groups; walk with older students
- Always use sidewalks and walkways
- Obey traffic signals and crossing guards’ instructions
- Pay attention, be alert to the people and activities around you
- Remember, headphones mean you don’t hear things around you
- Avoid shortcuts; the shortest route may not be the safest route
- Tell your family if you are staying late after school or stopping by a friend’s house on the way home

How to cross a street safely
- Use a crosswalk
- Use the pedestrian push button at crosswalks
- Look both ways — left, right and then left again
- Cross only during the WALK sign if there is a traffic light
- Make eye contact with drivers to make sure they see you
- Remember to walk, not run
- Listen to and follow crossing guards’ instructions
- Cross the street only when all cars have completely stopped

How to walk down a street safely
- Listen for traffic
- Look for cars backing out of driveways or leaving businesses
- Walk on the sidewalk