

SAFETY

TIP OF THE MONTH

Pedestrian Safety

Be safe and be seen: make yourself visible to drivers

- Wear bright/light colored clothing and reflective materials especially after dark.
- Carry a flashlight when walking at night.
- Cross roads in well-lighted areas at night.
- Stay clear of obstacles such as parked cars, buses, and hedges so you can be seen by drivers.



Be smart and alert: avoid dangerous behaviors

- Walk on sidewalks whenever possible. If there are no sidewalks, walk facing traffic on the edge of the road as far away as possible from travel lane.
- Cross at marked crosswalks or intersections. Do not jaywalk or dart out between parked vehicles.
- Don't assume that drivers will yield to you; drivers may be distracted.
- Be alert for engine noise and backup lights on vehicles when in parking lots or near on- street parking spaces.
- Do NOT rely solely on pedestrian "walk/don't walk" signals. Many intersections on **University Boulevard do not have** complete 4-way pedestrian signals that stop all traffic when activated. Look before you cross the road.
- Avoid being distracted by cell phones, texting, and other activities that diminish awareness of your surroundings. Distracted walkers can not only be hit by vehicles, but also be injured by tripping on uneven walkways or running into something.



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