

# QUICK CUESTA CONNECTIONS

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## Trick-or-Treating Advice for a Safe Halloween

Santa Clara County designates the traditional form of trick-or-treating as moderate to high-risk, but it is still allowed. Please see the suggestions below to make the activity safer if you intend to participate.

### FOR TRICK-OR-TREATERS

- **Wear a cloth mask:** Wear an appropriate nose and mouth covering. A Halloween mask on its own is not enough.
- **Stay on the right:** Walk on the right-hand side of the street (with the flow of traffic) to minimize passing closely by others.
- **Don't visit dark homes:** Do not ring the doorbell at houses that have their porch lights off.
- **Don't run ahead:** Stay with your parents or guardians.
- **One family at a time:** Don't gather or create a crowd at a house. If someone is already at a house, stay back and give them space. Wait until they're done before you approach for your turn.
- **Respect the rules:** Identify the protocol for each house as you approach. Are they handing out candy or do you select your own? Be respectful of the house's rules and maintain



a safe physical distance unless it is clear you may approach closer.

- **Clean your hands often:** Wash or sanitize your hands frequently.
- **Stay visible:** Make yourself visible after dark. Use reflectors, flashlights, or glow sticks.
- **Save treats for home:** Do not eat candy while outside the home because that would mean removing your face mask.

### FOR HOMES DISTRIBUTING CANDY OR OTHER TREATS

- **Leave the lights on:** If you want trick-or-treaters to visit, leave your lights on. If you don't want trick-or-treaters, please leave your porch lights off.
- **Avoid doorway gatherings:** Rather than allowing visitors to gather at your doorway, consider these alternatives:
  1. Hang out on your driveway to hand out candy.
  2. Place your candy into the trick-or-treater's bag rather than letting them reach into your bowl.
  3. Leave a tray of candy out on your walkway as a self-service option.
  4. Scatter candy around your driveway for trick-or-treaters to select from.
  5. Use a PVC pipe to "deliver" the candy to the trick-or-treaters from a distance.

- **Clean your hands often:** Wash or sanitize your hands frequently.
- **Wear a cloth mask** at all times.
- **One family at a time:** Remind visitors to space out while getting candy. Mark your driveway and approach with circles / lines to indicate safe distances to wait a turn.
- **Stay on the right:** If you see trick-or-treaters going the wrong direction, kindly remind them of our neighborhood's request that they walk on the right-hand side of the street (just like a car).



### ALTERNATIVES / ADDITIONS TO TRADITIONAL TRICK-OR-TREATING

We encourage streets in the neighborhood to also consider their own small celebrations, for example:

- A socially-distanced costume parade
- A designated home that sets up individually wrapped goody bags on their driveway for the entire street
- Virtual Halloween parties online
- Hide Halloween treats in and around your house. Hold a Halloween treat hunt with household members.

