

Safety is the New Cool

BE SMART AND STAY SAFE AS YOU HEAD BACK TO SCHOOL!

helmets

If your child is going to/from school by bike/skateboard/scooter, it is so important that they wear the right helmet, that it fits right, and is worn every time they ride.



playgrounds

Have 9-12 inches of shock-absorbing material (wood chips, mulch, rubber mats) under the playground.

Don't let kids play on slides/surfaces that are burning hot!



clothing

Never buy/allow kids to wear clothes with drawstrings around the hood/neck – it's a strangulation danger!



emergency plan

For kids home alone after school, have an escape plan if the fire or CO alarm goes off. Teach kids to call 911 in an emergency.



distracted walking

Kids get hurt when they text and talk on their phone while crossing the street. We say, heads up!



Check [CPSC.gov](https://www.cpsc.gov) for recalls — especially, clothes, school supplies, and bikes. Sign up for [email alerts](#) of CPSC recalled children's items sent directly to your inbox.

DON'T FORGET. IT'S COOL TO BE SAFE!