



APD Advisory for Parents



Tips on keeping your children safe.

The Aurora Police Department wants to remind parents and guardians of a few things for keeping their children safe.

- You are the best resource to educate your child on safety and you need to talk openly with your children to educate them.
- Teach them that EVERYONE who is not a family member, teacher, police officer, firefighter or friend, is a stranger.
- Teach them never to take anything from a stranger, to include candy, toys, rides, pets, etc.
- Give your kids the knowledge to know what to do if someone tries to abduct them – yell, “this person is not my mother or father”, make a scene, fight back.
- Tell your child to immediately tell a trusted adult if a stranger tried to talk to you or made you feel uncomfortable.
- Teach your kids to not wander off if they are with you or with friends.

One of the most valuable resources available reference child safety is The National Center of Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC – www.ncmec.org). NCMEC is an excellent resource where you can find comprehensive guidelines and tips on how to keep your children safe and what to do if your child is abducted.

Below is a link that provides guidance on several different activities that your child may be involved in, to include walking to and from school, traveling unaccompanied on a bus, Halloween safety, etc. Parents are encouraged to review this material and talk to your kids about how to stay safe.

http://www.ncmec.org/missingkids/servlet/ResourceServlet?LanguageCountry=en_US&PageId=0#Resource_4