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As trick-or-treaters prepare to make the rounds in communities across the state, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is reminding drivers about the importance to remain focused and sober anytime they're behind the wheel.

"For the traffic safety community, what scares us the most about Halloween is the potential dangers caused by impaired or distracted drivers," said David Pabst, Director of WisDOT's Bureau of Transportation Safety. "As the days grow shorter and with darkness coming sooner, we need all drivers to slow down, put away the cell phones and pay attention."

- Pay extra attention, especially to crosswalks, intersections and the side of the roads. Kids tend to walk along the curbs, cutting across the street to get to other homes.
- Be extremely careful of speed in residential areas.

- Don't text and drive.
- Drivers should designate if they plan to celebrate. WisDOT's [Drive Sober mobile app](#) includes a blood-alcohol estimator, and can help people find a safe ride home.
- If you see a suspected drunken driver on the road, call 911 and provide as much information as you can.