

# Safety Tips: Halloween 2021

Halloween is around the corner! The CDC recommends that all adults and children aged 12 and older get a COVID-19 vaccine, but many trick-or-treaters aren't eligible to get vaccinated yet. To help you enjoy a sweet and safe Halloween, remember to: track local transmission rates, take precautions like wearing a mask and washing your hands, and avoid activities that put you and the children around you at increased risk for COVID-19.

## SAFE

*Take these precautions, and have fun!*



Incorporate a cloth or surgical mask into your costume



Trick-or-treating in small groups outdoors, or enjoying other outdoor activities



Wash hands before eating candy



Track local virus transmission rates, and take extra precautions where rates are high



Get the COVID-19 vaccine (age 12+) and your flu shot

## SCARY

*Beware of...*



Indoor parties and gatherings



Inviting trick-or-treaters inside



Using a costume mask as a substitute for a cloth/surgical mask



Crowded doorsteps



Trick-or-treating if you feel sick

Follow community guidelines from your local health department, and stay at home and away from others if you are sick or have been in contact with someone who is sick or has COVID-19 symptoms.

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**More information:** [cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://cdc.gov/coronavirus)

**Track local COVID-19 rates:** [covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker](https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker)