# Be Safe

Some tips for staying safe while walking, biking and riding

## Walk safe

# Unintentional pedestrian injuries are the fifth-leading cause of injury-related death for children ages 5–19

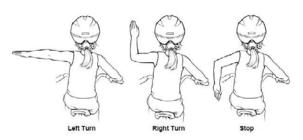
- Cross the street at the corner or crosswalk.
- Put down your cell phone or devices and look left, right and left again when crossing the street.
- Make eye contact with the drivers before crossing the street and watch out for cars backing out of driveways.
- If you are walking in the dark, wear reflective clothes or carry a light and be alert.

## Bike safe

#### Before age 10, few kids understand how traffic works: It may be difficult for them to judge the speed and distance of cars

- Wear your helmet each time you get on anything with wheels. If you need a helmet, come visit us: We offer low-cost sport helmets for the family.
- Leave your headphones at home so you can hear cars and passing bikes.
- Check your tires before each ride and make sure your brakes work properly.
- Wear bright or reflective clothing and shoes that cover your toes.

#### Ride with traffic and know your signals.



## Ride safe

#### Using the correct car seat or booster seat can save a child's life

- Buckle up each time you get in the car and make sure every member of your family does too!
- Oregon Law requires all children weighing 40 pounds or less to ride properly secured in a car seat with a harness when traveling in motor vehicles.
- Oregon Law requires children over 40 pounds, younger than 8 years old or shorter than 4<sup>'9<sup>"</sup></sup> to ride in a booster seat.
- Children under 13 years old should always ride in the back seat.
- Never leave a child alone in a car.



### Doernbecher Injury Prevention Program

Tom Sargent Safety Resource Center Doernbecher Lobby Monday–Friday, 10 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Braner Family Safety Resource Center Hillsboro Medical Center Located on the 2nd floor By appointment only, please call to schedule

### Contact a Health Educator:

Call: 503-418-5666 safety@ohsu.edu www.doernbecher.com/childsafety



