



# **CUNNINGHAM FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS**

**The Cunningham Fire Protection District would like to remind citizens that planning ahead can help make this Halloween a fire-safe one. Taking simple fire safety precautions, like making sure fabrics for costumes and decorative materials are flame resistant, can prevent fires. Please take the time to make this Halloween safe for everyone.**

Following these tips will have you on your way to safe Trick-or-Treating:

- Use glow sticks or flashlights to illuminate Jack-O-Lanterns instead of candles.
- Make sure costumes are fire-safe (there should be a flame-resistant or flame-retardant label on store bought costumes, wigs, and props).
- Costumes should not have baggy sleeves or billowing capes, they could easily catch on fire if you brush against a candle or Jack-O-Lantern.
- Be on the lookout and stay away from open flames (candles, Jack-O-Lanterns, or torches).
- If your clothes catch fire, make sure to **STOP, DROP, COVER YOUR FACE, AND ROLL** over and over to put the fire out. It's always a good idea to practice how to stop, drop, and roll.
- Make your costumes nice and bright so drivers can see you. Use reflective tape or carry glow sticks or a flashlight.
- Follow the rules of the road: When crossing the street, stop at the curb or edge of the road- look left, then right, then left again for moving vehicles before crossing. Children 10 years old or younger should cross the street with the help of an adult.
- Make sure an adult goes with you when Trick-or-Treating.
- Lastly, have adults check your candy before you eat it! Don't forget to brush your teeth afterwards!