



VILLAGE OF HASKINS

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Haskins is Home

Halloween & Trick-or-Treat

Haskins Village Council has **CANCELLED** the annual Halloween Parade and Haunted Village Hall this year due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Trick-or-Treat will still be scheduled for the Village on October 31st, 2020 from 5:00pm till 7:00pm and parents are urged to use caution and best discretion if they choose to participate. The Village requests that everyone observe COVID-19 guidelines established by local and state health departments.

Local and CDC Recommendations have been provided on this form for your review.

Trick or treating

- Perform health screen prior to leaving home do not participate if feeling sick
- If living with people who may be at greater risk from COVID-19 please reconsider participating
- If child is at greater risk of complications from COVID-19, contact your doctor before participating
- Masks should be worn at all times
- Stay with family unit and in your own neighborhood if possible
- Stay six feet away from other families
- Limit one family at a time when approaching participating houses
- Use hand sanitizer frequently during collection
- Collection bag should have a wide mouth to allow for dropping treats inside
- Do not eat any candy while participating
- If possible, wipe off candy wrappers with sanitizing wipes (allow to dry) when arriving home and prior to eating candy
- Wash hands before eating any candy

Passing out treats

- Do not pass out candy if feeling sick
- Wash hands prior to passing out treats
- Masks should be worn at all times
- If possible, place table or other physical object between you and trick-or-treaters
- Limit interaction with those outside of your household
- Prepare goodie bags ahead of time (grab & go) and place at end of driveway or edge of yard
- Use only prepackaged, factory wrapped items, no homemade-wrapped treats

Trunk-or-Treat events

- Consider setting up pre-registration and limit the number of participants per time frame
- Masks should be worn at all times
- Advertise expectations of the community prior to the event (i.e. social distancing, wearing masks, etc.)
- Assure distance between vehicles ("Trunks")
- If able, use physical markings between vehicles and consider one-way traffic
- Wash hands prior to passing out treats
- If possible, only attend event(s) in own neighborhood

CDC Halloween Recommendations

Lower risk activities

These lower risk activities can be safe alternatives:

- Carving or decorating pumpkins with members of your household and displaying them
- Carving or decorating pumpkins outside, at a safe distance, with neighbors or friends
- Decorating your house, apartment, or living space
- Doing a Halloween scavenger hunt where children are given lists of Halloween-themed things to look for while they walk outdoors from house to house admiring Halloween decorations at a distance
- Having a virtual Halloween costume contest
- Having a Halloween movie night with people you live with
- Having a scavenger hunt-style trick-or-treat search with your household members in or around your home rather than going house to house

Moderate risk activities

- Participating in one-way trick-or-treating where individually wrapped goodie bags are lined up for families to grab and go while continuing to social distance (such as at the end of a driveway or at the edge of a yard)
 - If you are preparing goodie bags, [wash your hands](#) with soap and water for at least 20 second before and after preparing the bags.
- Having a small group, outdoor, open-air costume parade where people are distanced more than 6 feet apart
- Attending a costume party held outdoors where protective masks are used and people can remain more than 6 feet apart
 - A costume mask (such as for Halloween) is not a substitute for a cloth mask. A costume mask should not be used unless it is made of two or more layers of breathable fabric that covers the mouth and nose and doesn't leave gaps around the face.
 - Do not wear a costume mask over a protective cloth mask because it can be dangerous if the costume mask makes it hard to breathe. Instead, consider using a Halloween-themed cloth mask.
- Going to an open-air, one-way, walk-through haunted forest where appropriate mask use is enforced, and people can remain more than 6 feet apart
 - If screaming will likely occur, greater distancing is advised. The greater the distance, the lower the risk of spreading a respiratory virus.
- Visiting pumpkin patches or orchards where people use hand sanitizer before touching pumpkins or picking apples, wearing masks is encouraged or enforced, and people are able to maintain social distancing
- Having an outdoor Halloween movie night with local family friends with people spaced at least 6 feet apart
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 - Lower your risk by following CDC's recommendations on [hosting gatherings or cook-outs](#).

Higher risk activities

Avoid these higher risk activities to help prevent the spread of the virus that causes COVID-19:

- Participating in traditional trick-or-treating where treats are handed to children who go door to door
- Having trunk-or-treat where treats are handed out from trunks of cars lined up in large parking lots
- Attending crowded costume parties held indoors
- Going to an indoor haunted house where people may be crowded together and screaming
- Going on hayrides or tractor rides with people who are not in your household
- Using [alcohol or drugs](#), which can cloud judgement and increase risky behaviors
- Traveling to a [rural](#) fall festival that is not in your community if you live in an area with community spread of COVID-19