

TOPIC: Pedestrian Safety **GRADES:** Pre-K to 4

OBJECTIVES

- Understand the importance of pedestrian safety
- Understand how to navigate situations that present dangers to pedestrians
- Understand the importance of crossing the road in a safe area
- Demonstrate a basic understanding of the signs and signals important to pedestrian safety
- Identify the safest places to cross the street
- Recognize the dangers of parking lots and unusual intersections, as well as how to navigate streets without sidewalks
- Identify crossing guards and other community helpers who assist in maintaining a safe environment.

PROCEDURE

- Assign students to print and color the Road & Street Safety handout or complete the other activity handouts.
- Assign students to review **Pedestrian Safety** PowerPoint presentation.
- Assign students to watch "Walk This Way" video:
 - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-t2oX6zQEyU&feature=youtu.be

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

• Assign students to go on a neighborhood walk with their parent/guardian, then create a neighborhood map marking traffic control devices and the locations of crosswalks.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- More educational downloads on the pedestrian safety:
 - AAA Exchange
 - o Safety Tips for Students

SUMMARY

By the end of this lesson students should be able to explain why practicing pedestrian traffic safety skills are important in reducing injuries. Students will acquire knowledge of safe walking practices and how to avoid dangerous situations.