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Halloween (and trick-or-treating) is a nationally recognized event and is not City-sanctioned, yet many of our residents look to the City for direction on this annual event.

It has also been a tradition for the Mayor and City Council of Dunn to set the recommended date and time for trick-or-treating in the City of Dunn and to provide guidance that encourages safe and courteous activities for our community.

The City of Dunn has established the following recommended guidelines for those who choose to participate in this year's Halloween events:

- Participation in Halloween (trick-or-treating) is an individual/parental choice. Due to Covid-19, all those who participate should wear face coverings and practice social distancing as recommended by public health authorities.
- Any household with a positive case of Covid-19 or any individual with symptoms, should not participate in trick-or-treating or any other Halloween activities and/or events.
- Halloween activities should take place on Saturday, October 31, 2020.
- Due to Covid-19, it is recommended that Halloween activities be conducted outdoors and include social distancing activities for example: outdoor scavenger hunts, pumpkin carving/decorating, grab and go trick or treating.
- All children taking part in Halloween activities should be clothed in safe costumes, featuring materials that can be seen in the dark by motorists.
- If traditional door to door trick-or-treating is practiced, it should be conducted during reasonable hours, preferably between 5:00 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. and should be restricted to children under the age of 13.
- All children or groups of children taking part in trick-or-treating should be accompanied by a responsible older person.
- Those who choose to distribute candy and other favors for trick-or-tricking are encouraged to leave your porch light on, wear face coverings, and practice social distancing.
- Those who choose not to participate in Halloween should leave their porch lights off.
- It is very important that participants respect the wishes of those who do not wish to participate and do not enter yards or visit homes that do not have their porch lights on.
- Children should trick-or-treat in their own neighborhoods, visiting only familiar homes.
- Parents and/or guardians should inspect collected treats carefully before they are consumed by children and any collected treats that show signs of tampering or any suspicious activities should be reported to the Dunn Police Department immediately.



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