



# CELEBRATING HALLOWEEN

Many traditional Halloween activities can be high-risk for spreading viruses. There are several safer, alternative ways to participate in Halloween. If you may have COVID-19 or you may have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, you should not participate in in-person Halloween festivities and should not give out candy to trick-or-treaters.

## LOWER RISK ACTIVITIES



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





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## MODERATE RISK ACTIVITIES



Participating in one-way trick-or-treating where individually wrapped goody 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 goody 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.

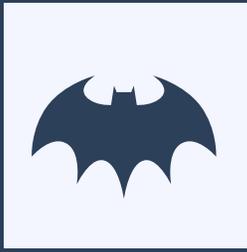
costume mask (such as for Halloween) is not a substitute for a cloth mask. Do not wear a costume mask over a protective cloth mask. Instead, consider using a Halloween-themed cloth mask.

Going to an outdoor Halloween movie night with local family friends or 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.



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.





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## HIGHER RISK ACTIVITIES



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.



Going on hayrides or tractor rides with people who are not in your household.

Attending crowded costume parties held indoors or Going to an indoor haunted house where people may be crowded together and screaming.



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

