HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS

Don't let COVID-19 turn Halloween into a nightmare. Mecklenburg County Public Health has some important rules to follow:

Town of Matthews North Carolina

DO (participate in)

-Carve pumpkins and decorate your home with your family; drive around and check out your neighbor's decorations as well

-Host a virtual Halloween costume party

-Make individually wrapped candy available or individually wrapped goodie bags – wash your hands before and after preparing bags

-Space out candy or goodie bags in a safe place outside, preferably 6 feet from your door

-Wear your favorite costume and a cloth face covering to your favorite socially distancing restaurant with your family

-Make and enjoy your favorite fall beverage and foods at home with your family. Create a scavenger hunt in your yard for your own children

-Wear your favorite costume and have a Halloween movie night with your family

DON'T (participate in)

-Host or attend large neighborhood pumpkin carving or block parties, haunted houses or festivals

-Host or attend crowded costume parties or events

-Participate in traditional trick-or-treating in crowded areas, self-selecting candy, or touching of candy or candy dishes

-Go to crowded bars or restaurants that are not adhering to capacity limits, mask wearing or other COVID-19 safety guidance

-Ask the bartender for a drink after 11PM

-Host "trunk" or treat events

-Substitute a Halloween costume mask for a face covering or exchange masks or coverings with anyone else.

Questions? Call 980-314-9400.