

## What is the Process for Requesting Adult Crossing Guards ?

*All requests for new adult crossing guards should be directed to the Irving Police Department by calling (972) 721-3553. If the Police Department staff feel that the location being requested is appropriate, the Department will forward the request to the City Traffic Engineer, who will arrange the collection of the data necessary to thoroughly study the location.*

*If the standards are met for placing a crossing guard, the Police Department will submit a request for the next years annual budget.*



## Interested in becoming a Crossing Guard?

Duties include holding signs or displaying hand / arm signals and blowing a whistle to control traffic; and escorting school children and other pedestrians safely across various streets and intersections. Duties will require working outdoors under a variety of weather conditions. Must have formal or informal education or training which insures the ability to communicate in English at a level necessary for successful job performance. No experience is required, but must have basic knowledge of traffic laws and safety procedures. Schedule will occasionally vary to accommodate early dismissal days.

Additional questions please contact:

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## Guardians of the Crosswalks



**Irving Police Department  
School Crossing Guard  
Program**

## WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT ADULT CROSSING GUARDS



The City of Irving considers pedestrian safety to be very important. Studies have shown that school age pedestrians are the group at greatest risk. Trying to minimize that risk, the City provides a sidewalk system and installs traffic control devices to help elementary age children reach school as safely as possible. Adult school crossing guards are used to enhance safety.

Currently the City of Irving provides 76 crossing guards and staff 55 crossings. This program is budgeted through the Irving Police Department.

## Irving Police Department School Crossing Guard Mission Statement..

Our Mission is to serve the community by providing safety for children, or other pedestrians, en-route to and from school. We will do this by teaching children to cross properly, overseeing safe crossings, and observing and reporting any activity that may pose a danger at assigned locations before and after school.

### What can YOU do?

- \* Listen to what the Crossing Guard tells you to do. They are there to get you across the street safely.
- \* Cross only when the guard instructs you to do so.
- \* Look Left, Right, then Left before you step out into the crosswalk.
- \* Keep looking for cars while you are crossing.
- \* Do NOT run, bounce a ball, or ride skateboards in the crosswalk



Every year 450-600 children, ages 3-5 are killed nation-wide in pedestrian-traffic accidents.

Most accidents happen when children run into the street, darting out between parked cars.

Many children, ages 3-5, do not know that cars can be dangerous and that cars can hurt them.

Preschoolers should be taught to cross the street only with someone much older who knows how to cross safely.

Driveways and parking lots are dangerous to small pedestrians because they are not seen as easily as adults.