



driving

safety tips

1 Give priority to pedestrians. Yield to pedestrians at all crosswalks, even if unmarked. According to the legal definition of a crosswalk, there's a crosswalk at every corner. Chagrin Falls Ordinances state that even when there are no signs or pavement markings at a corner, pedestrians have the right of way. Do not proceed until pedestrians are either at the curb or one full lane away from you.

2 Pay attention. Talking on a cell phone, texting, eating or adjusting your music player all are distractions that take away from safety. A 3000 pound vehicle has the ability to crush a person (or pulverize a chicken). Don't risk it.

3 Leave a wide margin for error. Use caution when driving near children or the elderly who may not see or hear you. Always stop at least 30 feet before crosswalks. This is less threatening for pedestrians. Do not pull abruptly into or out of driveways.

4 Turn with caution at intersections. When making a right on red, always yield to pedestrians first. Use care when turning left at signals. You'll be looking for approaching cars in the opposite direction and

you may not see a pedestrian right in front of you.

5 Enforce the speed limit by setting the example. Driving slower helps calm traffic, bringing peace & safety to the streets. Most streets in Chagrin Falls are 25 mph. Remember to obey the 20 mph speed limit in school zones.

6 Leave your car at home. Many of the cars on the road are making short trips that do not require driving. If you're doing errands in town, get in some of your daily physical activity by walking.

7 Smile and wave. Your smile and a simple wave can reassure pedestrians that you see them. Refuse or remove any window tinting that makes your face less visible or interferes with your ability to see. UV blocking only treatments are available.

8 Be an advocate for pedestrians. Visit www.saferouteschagrin.com to learn more about our programs and how you can become involved.

9 Share the road. Reduce speed, leave space and scan for cyclists. Bikes are vehicles with the same rights as cars.

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