

Stranger alert / safety tips

What do I do if my child has been approached by a stranger?

- 1) **Call the police.** The RCMP will potentially compare the description with other reports and watch for the suspect or provide a description to media, if appropriate. Keep your police case file number handy in case of further developments.
- 2) **Notify your school administrator.** Your school may need to alert the community of the incident, including a description of the person and vehicle involved. If directed to do so by the police, a district-wide alert will be distributed.

Safety tips

- 1) Don't take short cuts.
- 2) Walk with friends.
- 3) Tell someone where you are going and when you'll be back.
- 4) Phone home when leaving friends, work, etc., and say when you'll be home.
- 5) Phone if you are going to be delayed, or if your plans change.
- 6) Carry your knapsack rather than wear it.
- 7) Don't assist strangers (teens included).
- 8) Do not carry a weapon as it could be used against you.
- 9) Trust your instincts and feelings.
- 10) If grabbed, scream and run.

Please review these safety tips with your children.