



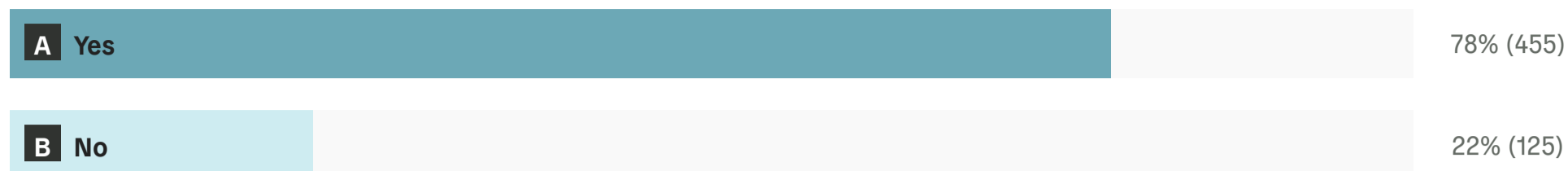
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# 2020 Oshkosh Trick-or-Treat Survey

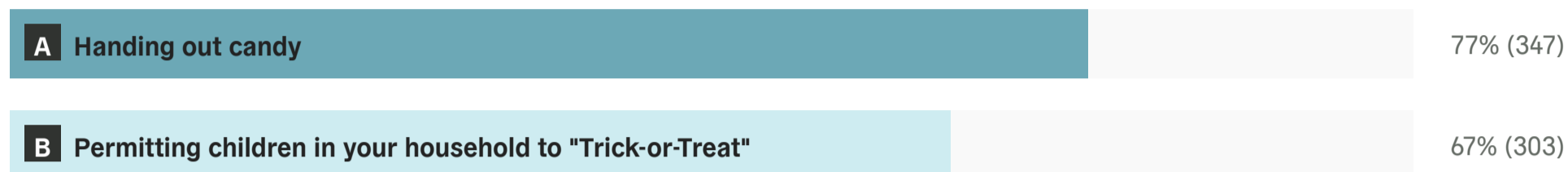
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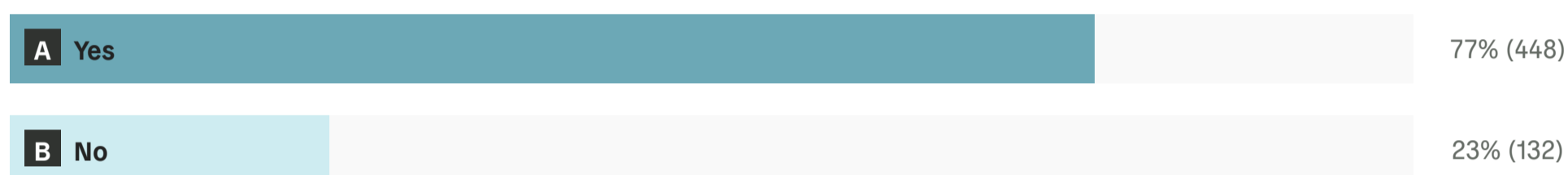
## Do you plan to participate in any Halloween "Trick-or-Treat" activities this year?



## If YES, how do you plan to participate? (Check all that apply)



## Do you support having designated Trick-or-Treat hours this year?



## If you support having Trick-or-Treat, would you reduce the hours or keep them the same as in past years?



## Do you have any ideas for alternative formats for Trick-or-Treat? (A different way to do the Trick-or-Treat event?)

Drive through event like the zoo is holding. With pvc tube to deliver treats. Or handing out treat bags at schools and eAcademy.

Nothing take a year off. People need to make a choice free candy or health!

Trick or treating in normal format is probably the safest. Most people are social distanced and many costumes have masks. Doing trunk or treat would keep people closer.

I plan to sit outside and literally hand out candy to eliminate hundreds of people touching my doorbell/ door handle, and drop candy into kids' bags, rather than having them root around in the big bowl of candy.

Wouldn't it make sense to extend the hours to reduce the density of of children out at one time.

I would like to keep it the same as in the past

No

Let them trick or treat most kids wear Halloween masks anyways

Just let the kids trick or treat, it's on a Saturday please give them more time since we need to social distance and wait for other kids to finish at each house

Allow those who choose to hand out candy do so and what others may feel comfortable with doing but still allow trick or treating to go in.

If people don't want to participate, just keep your light off just like any other year.

If you are thinking of canceling Halloween due to covid, huge mistake. Dont take this away from the kids too

Keep it the same. Kids need to have fun!

It's not necessary to have something else. If people are giving out candy or trick-or-treating, obviously they are not concerned about the coronavirus. Those that do not want to participate don't have to. It's very simple.

Keep the tradition alive. A fun safe activity for families to interact with their neighbors.

All of your recommendations provided at the end of this survey are wonderful.

If weather permitted, and social distancing possible, possibly a large outdoor open space could provide less of a chance of community spread with a trick-or-treating occasion. The element of candy distribution would need to be overseen by a minimal number of very specific individuals combined with procedures outlined ahead of time possibly in consultation with medical personnel. Sounds like a major doing, but if done in one place, it would likely attract enough participation.

Have it people can distance

Parents should accompany children of all ages, I won't be putting out candy anymore as the older kids steal all of it when we are out ourselves. Maybe lay out candy on a table so kids are not reaching into a bowl And spreading germs.

Parades where the parents with candy throw it from their car and children just stand in their driveway.

Move up the time to like 3-5 or 4-6 to keep all in daylight

cancel

There is no other way during covid. You don't want groups to gather. Period.

Stop restricting the hours. We are free citizens and your permitted hours are pathetic and take away from the spirit of this country

I like the idea of kids standing out in front of their homes and the candy distributors drive past and give candy that way. Done on a neighborhood by neighborhood basis. (neighborhood associations being the groupings. This gives the neighborhood associations an activity to engage neighbors. Could be followed by some sort of socially distanced event - cider/costume contest/ etc.

at dusk drive by costume parade, socially distanced groups, down Washington, continuing thru neighborhoods ....no candy, or throwing of items please, thats just trashy.

How about a community wide walk instead. People could put lights or decorations in their front windows/porches and children could dress up and walk with their parents around their local neighborhood to parade their costumes and see the decorations. No candy being handed out. No physical contact with others but still a sense of community spirit and enjoying Halloween.

If possible have goody bags/candy already separated and have kids just grab individual

Our church is doing Trunk or Treat.

No.. Simple answer. My answer, grow some balls and let it happen.

No

Treats donated by local businesses mailed out to families who sign up for socially distanced halloween

There is no valid reason to change Trick or Treat traditions this year.

Parents would need to make sure their kids are keeping their social distancing from other parents and kids. Another suggestion is for those who are giving treats out, they can put the treats in a bowl and leave it outside with a sign 1/2 per kid. That way, everyone can still keep their distance.

Nothing, trick or treat is already as socially distant as school or any store.

Kids sit outside in costumes people in cars drive by and throw candy like a parade

Park your car in the driveway or on the curbside and have your candy in the trunk for kids to have.

No, the normal way is perfect.

Have a no hour rule, sometimes its hard for single household parents to get off at certain times to be able to enjoy a special day.

Maybe we set our candy treats out for the kids on our porches. That way we can social distance and they can still enjoy the holiday.

Those that hand out candy should do so outside and not from within their home.

All Wear masks - handing out candy and trick or treaters and chaperones

People required to leave candy in a bowl away from them, individually wrapped, and one family to a candy bowl at a time.

Dont do it

No

No... Keep it the same. The kids have suffered enough.. If people don't want to patio, they have a choice not to.

We will wear gloves while dispensing and will not allow kids to put hands in candy dish

Parents buy their own kids candy and other treats and post their kids pictures on a Halloween or Oshkosh sponsored Facebook page.

Trunk or treating events or anything! Please don't cancel Halloween.

Let the kids have the normal fun. Parents can decide if and how they want to participate. Don't let the government decide

People should sit outside their house to monitor kids taking candy (from a bowl that is also outside). This means no contact is made with others.

Families should do their own thing.

Nope keep it as it is!! If you want contactless put a bowl or dish out and have kids take candy that way.

You can leave candy out for kids. Honestly, who cares.

N/A

No

Let the kids be kids

On the street that we host Trick or Treat we stay outside the whole time and the kids pick the candy out of a big tub. We handle the candy as little as possible and its in packages anyway. What's the difference if its chosen from a store shelf? It's actually less handled this way and the kids always take one with careful precision.

Trick or treat hours/times: It would be safer and more convenient for families to move the actual day to one other than the 31st. When the 31st lands on a workday, most families aren't home from work and/or sending their kids out alone. Ex. Stevens Point, WI (and numerous other cities) EVERY year holds door to door trick or treating on the Sunday prior to the 31st from 3-6. This provides a safer environment as most families/neighbors are home on Sundays to 'supervise' their children. The 2nd benefit of this is significantly reduced traffic on a Sunday; which obviously is also a better safety factor VS if the 31st falls on a weekday and you have a lot of traffic driving fast to get home from work. Yes, change is hard. Yes, the older kids would prefer it on the 31st. However the convenience for families and safety should come 1st. I hope Oshkosh seriously considers this proposal and adopts this suggestion.

Safety measures and only sealed treats or little toys...more of downtown trick or treating

Trunk or treat at different places around town.

A "corn hole" style delivery. The kids stay on the sidewalk and we toss the candy for them to pick up. Admittedly have not completely thought this out. Just an idea.

N/a

Nope. Stick with the classic:)

Having costume parades through neighborhoods during normal Trick-or-Treat hours, but no candy being handed out. Households host their own Trick-or-Treat hunt, designated hours so kids are out together in their neighborhoods but hunting in their own yards.

No ideas-but would support an alternative

Limit to one hour from 5-6 pm for example. We plan to wear gloves and a mask to hand out the candy.

Keep it the same. Don't take anymore from our children they have already had enough taken from them.

Not sure

None needed. Contact is minimal and outside

No

Nope. Do it the normal way and get over being hung up on fear...

Longer hours allow for more spread out less congestion

Slide the candies in a tube that will keep trickortreaters 6 feet away.

Keep the same

Trick or treat baskets at downtown businesses - kids can grab them outside with minimal interaction.

No

Keep same hopefully people will be smart to know if there are a lot of people at 1 house to wait their turn

No

Will leave bowl of candy in porch to reduce contact

Kids dress up and sit in the yard and cars drive by and throw candy...parade style

No

The usual way will work just fine.

send candy to trick or treaters through a tube...6 feet away. Time for everyone to get creative.

Keep the same.

No "take one" bowls, hand out candy individually

Leave out a bucket of candy

Extending hours would make more sense to spread people out more, reducing would make it more congested. Makes no sense.

Be outside. Wear gloves and mask.

Gloves to hand out

I think it should stay the same as it has always been

The chance of spreading this way is minimal. Keeping bars and restaurants open is much more likely to spread the virus. Please don't take this away!

No, if people don't feel comfortable participating they shouldn't but let those that want to proceed.

Neighborhood gatherings only?

Stay sanitized

We plan to put a table with candy in a bunch of little piles for truck or treaters to take to avoid us needing to contact them. We will disinfect candy as we place it in table.

I have 6 kids there really is no safe way to do it this year besides fill your own kids bags and let them hunt for it like a easter basket. Its to bad because this would've been a great year for the kids to have a longer time frame to go.

Candy givers should sit on porches or at end of the driveways to reduce exposure at their front doors and also reduce "lines" for kids. Don't have kids use front steps. Maybe designate a street or two in each neighborhood as trick or treat trails. Block off street, more room to socially distance.

Nope let the children be children and have fun!

No keep door to door please!

Trunk or treats with people handing out candy with gloves and masks

Encourage staying in your neighborhood. Extend the hours to stagger the amount of people trick or treating.

Wear masks (even under costume masks), respect distances, stay in your own neighborhoods.

Have Trick or Treating the way it always was

Hell no! Keep kids running all night long!

Keep it the same

Stay at home- there's a pandemic.

If Oshkosh does not have trick-or-treat treating we will just go to a city that does

Online candy sales?

No. The exercise and fresh air will do the kids some good.

No, do it the same, it's worked for years. If people don't feel safe then please don't participate

Absolutely not

Have the buckets to give away outside on porch so kids don't have to knock or ring or get too close to the owner of the house

I feel that if there isn't Trick-or-Treat this year, people will just have their own parties and with less social distancing. I have already been invited to one for this year.

Just that masks be worn

I don't believe an alternative is necessary

Just let the kids have fun

No one hands out in person- just leave a bucket of candy on the porch/end of driveway for kiddos to take 1! Adult could be monitoring from a distance to prevent kids from emptying entire buckets. Quarantine all candy for several days before touching/consuming.

Stay in your own neighborhood maybe or atleast that part of town

I will hand out candy because I hate to deprive kids of this holiday but I am concerned about safety for me and them.

There's absolutely no reason NOT to have trick or treat. Kids NEED some normalcy and something to look fwd to. Your outside and as long as common sense is used then there shouldn't be issues.

Leave a bowl out with candy. Then kids can take one.

alternative: NOT house2house!!!

This is a pandemic they can miss one year. Might also make the patents realize that this is serious.

No

Cancel it.

Set out bowls, or participants handing out candy to be outside and wearing gloves. Or a trunk or treat in various parking lots around town.

No

Parents drive around the neighborhood (5 mph rule), and like a parade, throw candy to children who are standing outside.

No, just wear a mask

If you plan to participate set out a table outside with candy?

No

No, leave it the same!

Maybe have specific locations designated where families could do a drive-through trick or treat for the kids....similar to the drive-through job fairs. Folks who want can volunteer their time or donate candy to help out. Maybe Menominee Park for one location, other parks or large parking lots could also work.

Perhaps put candy on separate sticks for kids to grab?

Kids trick or treat from bowls on their honor...but that usually doesn't work well.

No direct hand out, candy in bowl and child grabs it. Either individual serving in bowl for each child that approaches or individually bagged items.

Encourage social distancing when possible, wear gloves and masks when handing out candy, minimal contact

I don't feel that an alternate format is necessary.... Keep it as it always has been!

People should stay home with number getting so high their are things you can do at home that's fun to keep everyone safe

Let the kids be kids! Quit ruining there lives!

The person handing out candy don't just put a bowl out that causes every one to touch that bowl. Just wash or sanitize and put candy in the bowl don't let the kids grab this year

Leave candy on a table outside, have sanitizing wipes/spray or if people want to hand out candy they need to wear a mask and gloves wear masks if possible

Leave it the way it's been for many many years!

Keep it the same! Kids need it!

Put candy on a table and stay 6 feet from trick-or-treaters

Do a Halloween scavenger hunt, Easter egg style, in your own backyard.

No

Have families stay in their front yards and "givers" walk and throw candy into the yards. Like a parade.

Nope - they don't need any

No

Potentially expand hours to reduce the potential of large crowds. Create a social media costume display so kids can show off their costumes without going around. Encourage residents to hang candy from a "tree" so that kids can pick their own without close contact to other people or touching others candy.

no should stay the same as past years

No, regular trick or treating

Recommend staying in own neighborhood.

There shouldn't be a different way. They need to stop taking all these happy moments away from our children and happy moments/memories from us parents. These are the most times for our children's lives and development.

I think as long as people can keep candy sanitary (not touching it out of bag) and staying 6ft apart it should be fine. If the kids can go to school they can go trick or treating.

Wear mask

Trunk or treat

I think it should e canceled this year.

Have children stand at designated sites and homeowners go to them to drop off treats.

If you're participating, a good idea may be to have a bowl at the end of your walk while you supervise from a distance to make sure kids aren't grabbing handfuls.

let the kids have some fun for once, this is enough already

Im going to have treats in bags and leave the bags outside.

Make sure the people handing out the candy have masks and gloves

Keep it how it has been

Have people just put candy outside in individual baggies.

Technically kids will be getting candy from us, but we're not HANDING IT OUT. We will instead just have a big bowl of candy by the front door with a sign and hope for the best. Meanwhile, we'll be contactless and safe.

I would masked and gloved to hand out candy - would not leave candy out for kids to take as that would spread germs. Kids would have to be masked also and I would hand outside, no doorbell ringing.

Drive-thru "trick or treat" sponsored by community and church groups. My husband and I are elderly and at high risk for contracting COVID-19. I don't want to literally stand by my front door for two hours feeding numerous "trick or treaters". Our neighborhood is a "destination neighborhood" for "trick or treating"; we get car and van loads of kids dropped off that are not from our immediate area. I spend around \$200.00 on candy each year and we are on a fixed income.

Knock/back off the porch/I place the treat in a pumpkin bowl/shut door/kids take treat. Plan on having a door sign: Ring door bell and step back off the porch.

have people leave candy on tables with enough candy to last for a couple hours, so kids can still walk around and show their costumes they are proud of and collect candy. if people don't want to participate, they do not have to... but kids shouldn't be punished and not have a normal life throughout all of this.

No

Set your bowl out and replenish candy as needed. See the adorable ghosts and goblins from behind your closed storm door.

No

No

No, not safe.

Don't have it

Put out a table in your yard and put out treats spaced apart so small children could walk with parent and take a wrapped treat off the table.

We are going to relatives only and participating in the Trick or Truck At Menominee

Do not have trick or treating. My god this city is just asking for more issues. My god the schools are now virtual. I'm not handing candy out this year. I've done it for the last 26 years and will not do it this year. Why promote something that just adds to the craziness. One year of skipping is not a big deal.

Have those handing out candy be outside and wearing gloves when possible

I don't feel we need to do it a different way as kids will be outside and candy is wrapped. We don't have a problem going to the grocery store grabbing things off the shelves that others have touched.

Reduced hours during daylight. Hand out candy outside. Discourage families traveling outside their neighborhood.

Stay home

Just let the kids trick or treat. You've already taken enough from them.

I wish I did

I will leave front door open with glass screen door in place and put treats out on porch for the children. I will not have any direct contact with Trick or Treaters

No...let kids be kids...candy is individually wrapped. People need to stop the madness and get on with life...stop perpetuating fear into our children. FYI - 20 deaths in the entire County does not constitute a pandemic.

Parents providing a scavenger hunt or other activities for their own children. In the safety of their home.

No

no

put the candy outside and let children just take it instead of actually handing it out

No, I do not.

I think the best you can do is give people suggestions. They're going to do what they want in the end. Suggestions of a non-contact point for retrieving candy and suggesting a candy quarantine could be helpful. Staggering trick or treating throughout a few days or even different hour slots throughout the day to help limit amount of people out at a time. Popular streets like Washington could have a one way direction on one side, and vice versa on the other.

only one household of kids goes to each house at a time, people set the candy on a table for them to pick up

We all know to wear our masks, we should keep it all the same

Do not have this, this year. Too dangerous for kids and adults.

People should be asked to wear gloves when handling sealed candy. Or put candy in container on porch.

It would be great fun to have Trick-or-Treating through Menominee Park! As there are different "stations" with the Festival of Lights, there could also be stations set up (volunteers may be needed) for trick-or-treaters through the park. There is the walkway around and through the park, and there is also the drive-around option with the paved road through the park. If this were to come to fruition, I would be willing to volunteer time to help with setup. Halloween displays and lights would be amazing! This could be a new "city event" that folks could come to in future years. This first year would be admission free due to COVID-19. Of course, there would have to be the safety precautions put in place with social distancing, mask-wearing, and I think the different stations spread out may allow for this to happen. Enter one way, exit one way. Follow the arrows and instructions.

Families could hide candy in their own yards for their children to find, similar to hiding Easter eggs.

None

If we can't have schools open, we shouldn't trick or treat.

I plan on having a Halloween Scavenger Hunt right in my home for my Grandchildren.

No

Family & neighborhood gatherings

Have everyone place bags of individual wrapped candies on table at bottom of the driveway (this idea comes from CDC website and I see it below). Require everyone to wear masks and social distance.

The "Truck or Treat" event sounds appropriate! Having a drive-through event is a great idea.

Don't matter oshkosh will cancel it

My treats,,,Fun-sized Snickers Bars...wil.. in a stainless steel bowl at the foot of the front steps. I will be seated at the top of the steps, approximately six feet from the candy bars,

go old school, have kids stay in their neighborhoods, find out who the neighbors actually are

Cancel all activities

Keep government out of it

Yeah go door to door like normal people do.

If ppl feel comfortable let them do it

Kids wear masks stay 6ft from other families walking ..and people giving out candy wear gloves. Or sanitize inbetween each group of children at your door. If we wanna make sure Halloween happens for our kids we definitely can be a bit cautious and still do it.

Everyone just has to be cautious together.

Everyone wear masks, stay outside to hand out candy

No.

Family friends give candy bundles to those they know so all feel safe.

Keep it normal!!

Hide treats for kids to find in their own yard (like an Easter egg hunt).

X

Leaving bowls outside. Having "toss the treat" with designated distance/circle on the ground where people can stand away and gently tossing them candy to catch - fun and safe!

People handing out candy wear gloves rather than children digging in the basket

This is an event that takes place outside with brief interaction with other individuals and with naturally encouraged usage of masks which are, in many cases, impermeable. I see no reason to change or edit the event. Those who are not comfortable with the holiday for whatever reason do not have to participate, just as in the past.

I see no need for an alternate event. Halloween is, and always has been, optional.



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The people handing out candy wear a mask. Wear a mask under your costume mask.

Have people make candy bags and leave them on the porch or on a table at the end of the driveway or sidewalk.

I would LOVE to participate in the trunk or treat at the park but not when people need to pay to attend.

I was going to use a PVC pipe and zip tie it to my railing and let the candy slide through it and the child can let it slide into their candy bag. That way we all can keep a safe distance.

No trick or treating this year, kids can't be in school

No keep it the same

Leave candy out in bucket in baggies (less contact)

Trunk or treat

no let kids be kids

Bowl outside house

I am using PVC pipe to do 6 ft rule with bucket at end for kids to grab individually. Along with hand sanitizer on other side to promote distancing!)

Place bowl of candy outside, maybe sit in the yard so I can see the cute costumes but maintain 6 feet away

No

no

Just shouldn't happen. People aren't responsible enough

let the people decide for themselves the manner in which they participate

All citizens that want to give out candy park in Menominee Park' Children walk thru park to collect their tricks or treats.

I LOVE Halloween and TorT. But this year is different. For those of us working to contain the Covid virus it is disheartening to think that it is so important for people to hand out candy or so devastating to have their kids miss one year of trick-or-treating. I realize not all families can afford to buy candy for their kids, but for those who can, they could buy some candy and hand it out to their kids at the house. Or they could do a scavenger hunt with just their kids at their house. And if there are neighbors who know their neighbors can't afford candy perhaps it would be willing to buy a bag of candy and give it to that home. Going from home to home is going to spread the virus. And, the reality is, regardless of what the City of Oshkosh does, people will go trick-or-treating if they want to. So I hope the city does the right thing and Does not hold trick-or-treat hours. If people choose to go house to house so be it, but it will certainly limit the number of people who are out there. And what is Winnebago County health department recommending?

Nah..keep the tradition. Its for the kids.

dont have it

Nope! Let the kids be kids, most will have "masks" on anyway! And they are outside!

Candy is left on the doorstep

Do small gatherings in people's house for Halloween dinner.

Lots of ideas on line

I think trick or treating should adhere to the current status of the school district. If it is unsafe for kids to be in school, it's probably unsafe for trick or treating. If levels are controlled enough to allow in person schooling, perhaps trick or treating would be ok? Just a thought.

Wearing masks and using a 6 foot tube to hand out candy.

The children always wear masks, so don't change anything

I like the recommendations below. I especially like staying in your neighborhood. We will not be answering the door or having any contact, but we plan to hang out in the yard in costumes and see people who come by from a distance and have them take treats from a table if there is trick or treating.

Promote and provide families safe ways to celebrate the holiday without having to leave their house or visit others. This could be by creating packages for families to receive or pick up with fun family-related activities and snacks as well as suggestions on things families can do together such as movie watching and playing spooky/fun games. We could also have a costume sharing virtual event where people can post images to a site of kids, families, animals dressed up in costumes. It is a nice way to have people still dress up and be seen without having to out. A virtual display of pumpkin carving can also be an option. One last suggestion is providing

resources, maybe in a website, where people can share their favorite Halloween recipes or tips for favorite Halloween movies. This could help bring people together as we all stay safe.

Each family should have their own Halloween gathering and do things together, but not outside the home. With all the fat kids out there, not getting candy is actually a good thing.

I do not think trick or treating is appropriate given how bad the coronavirus situation is right now. It's irresponsible to children and families in that situation.

none

No

IF (big if) trick-or-treat happens, we will probably make individual baggies of treats or something, set them out, and watch with our toddler from the garage or something. We might have her just walk around the cul de sac in her costume since she doesn't know what candy is yet.

I plan to have a table in my driveway with candy for children to help themselves, I will not physically hand out the treats.

Encourage groups of trick or treaters to let one group leave before the next approaches the house

Skip it this year, it's not necessary. Parents can manage this on their own within their home.

no

There were some cool ideas of putting candy on sticks and letting the kids pick one right from the yard for less contact.

Put candy on a stick or in bags and place in your yard several feet apart so several people aren't grabbing into the same container and put at risk of getting COVID-19

Facebook live events with raffle five aways donated by local businesses and families.

## **Do you have any suggestions for alternative events to have in place of Trick-or-Treat?**

I really feel it's safest to cancel trick or treating this year. It's just not safe and the kids will be ok.

Nothing it's too dangerous this year. We can't risk it. The city needs to make this decision even though it will make people mad it is what is best.

Some type of treasure hunt?

No.

Schools in session, sports being played, everyone out shopping. Trick or treating is no different than many other every day activities going on right now. No reason to overreach and try to restrict more activities.

I think the kids will be fine. It's usually windy and rainy/snowy. The weather will whisk the germs away. Masks are still a good idea.

I don't think there should be any alternative events in place of trick or treat.

no

I love the downtown Trick or Treat however I don't see how that can be done safely. We have been sheltering at home this entire time and will not risk handing out candy. We have neighbors who just put the bowl out with a note to pls. take one piece and per their security camera that didn't work out.

Still allow any other already planned events to happen. Trunk or treats or whatever people are comfortable doing.

No! Just go as normal

Downtown costume party is a great event.

It's not necessary to have something else. If people are giving out candy or trick-or-treating, obviously they are not concerned about the coronavirus. Those that do not want to participate don't have to. It's very simple.

Virtual Family Halloween Events: Stream a scary movie; Virtual or small family Halloween games

See above

No

Easter egg hunt theme but with spooky Halloween ideas.

A Halloween walk or parade. To avoid hand-to-mouth / close-contact contamination there should be no eating/drinking during the event. Bagged treats could be handed out as families head home.

Allow trick or treating. It is easy for people to opt out by not going or having lights off if they do not want to participate.

cancel

Leave trick or treat as it is. It is a relatively small group or single activity. If you have a party or gathering or event it will involve a lot of people in a confined space, which is what you don't want. People rarely go in groups of 5 or more to trick or treat. So just leave it alone.

apple dunking contest

see above

no. one year without trick or treating, should not be a priority of concern.

Flashlight costume parade (As above, children and parents walk their local neighborhood with flashlights to show off their costumes. Homeowners would be encouraged to stand outside their houses to cheer/clap/play music/wave.

No

Let it happen. Herd immunity. If you missed the news, Jill Biden said this would all be over on 11/4. Need interpretation???

No

Neighborhood socially distanced halloween costume parades

Not at this time. We don't want a large crowd gathering. The trick or treat downtown and the Halloween event at Meninomsee park should be canceled.

Grow up

No, let the kids wear costumes and trick-or-treat

No it's a traditional to trick or treat

No. If they can go to school in masks, they can trick or treat. If you're compromised- just don't turn your porch light on and nobody will knock at your door.

No I think the safest option is to keep it the same. Keep the trick or treating window large so less children are gathered together at the same time.

No

No

No, keep it the same, if people don't want to participate, they can choose to remain home with their lights off

We will be having a scavenger hunt for our kids. Trick or treat is not appropriate this yr

The zoo already has an event planned

well spaced out costume parades sponsored by their schools.

I believe cutting back the hours of trick or treating would cause more people to be out all at the same time causing more exposure. If anything I think we can start earlier and end earlier just to space out people.

Families need to keep things as small as possible, since the spread of the virus is on the upswing again.

No!! Keep trick or treating as it is.

No. let the kids have candy.

N/A

No, let the kids have this. We have already taken so much from them already

Let the kids be kids

No! I'm as cautious as they come- but we must keep this!

No. People are going to do what they want. If they don't want to participate in handing out candy, they won't, no different than any other year. If families are concerned about health safety they'll stay home. There isn't an alternative to door to door other than to cancel it completely. I'm not in favor of canceling it. Kids are in school next to each other all day long. Walking past others while trick or treating is no different.

Trunk or treats at different places.

Drive by reverse truck or treating. The kids stay in the car, people stand out in the road to put it in the window.

N/a

No. Please just allow this tradition to continue.

No idea-but would support an alternative

Nope

None needed. Contact is minimal and outside

No

See above

Being an outdoor event tot is socially distanced, the main issue is touching packages themselves. Any alternative cannit combat that issue. Educating people on s sufficient timeline to leave their candy in suggested (gloved) dispensing is the best solution.

Menominee park

Keep the same

A scavenger hunt around town. There can be clues for those who sign up and kids can hunt for candy at various places where it's easy to socially distance, like the parks and downtown.

No

no just do trick or treat

No

No

No

have trick or treat as usual

kids are only trick or treat age for a short window taking that away from young kiddos would be awful....households can wear gloves if necessary and if they are uncomfortable don't hand out candy but taking it away all together it awful

Keep the same.

None : the kids have been through enough , let them have fun

No just do regular trick or treat

No

No

No

No - we've changed so much already this year, let the kids have trick or treat.

None

It needs to happen

Maybe people can donate bags of candy to the schools for them to make bags for the kids

Costume parades by Neighbor Associations with treats (donated by neighbors) given to kids at specified points in the "parade."

Nope trick or treating should happen

IN ADDITION to door-to-door, also have a trail (similar to what fox crossing had last year)

Have Trick or Treating the way it was in years past

Don't care. My boys will be heading out and no government program will stop them from going door to door. Tell your covid comrades to go away. We are business as usual.

keep it the same

Stay at home. Look how well opening schools went!

No

Drive-in 'spooky' kids movies.

No. This is a pretty safe activity.

No

Any "even" seems to draw a bigger crowd where as a holiday it can be spread out all over town

Corona is a hoax!

Trunk or treating in a designated area

Let the kids have fun

Easter egg hunt style to search for hidden candy ourselves in our own home/yard

Have residents contribute money to fill bags of candy that could be handed out last day of school before Halloween. If not in attendance, have some outside collection point the entire day of a Halloween to spread out people.

No

donate candy. hv public indoor costume parade (@ Sunnyview?)& distribute pre-bagged treats2 all costumed of all ages

No

Cancel it

See above

no

Stay home, this year and have an on-line watch party.

Keep the zoolaween boo but require masks and offer for vendor booths to be unmanned or able to purchase a plexi-glass or other protector. More businesses would participate if they had enough options to choose from to keep themselves safe. Community candy hunt- limited groups of kids or time slots so that it is safer and candy can be replenished. Invite businesses to sponsor and decorate the space (park, trail, etc.). Masks required

No

No. Let it go per usual

No, the kids should Trick or Treat.

I can't think of an event that would be any safer than trick or treat itself...maybe the city could do a haunted park where families could drive through a park decorated for halloween. There could even be a small kids section that is mostly fun and cute and a scary teen section (or just two different parks...maybe even 3 to help split up traffic). Homes that normally buy candy could donate to the haunted park and each kid under 18 that goes through the drive through would get a generous bag of candy and surprises donated by local businesses.

Negative. Trick or treat as in the past

I don't feel that an alternate events are necessary.... Keep it as it always has been!

Let the kids be kids!

Nah

na

Leave it the way it's been! Stop over reacting with stuff, kids have suffered enough! If a child has a weaker immune system parents will die hats best for them.

Save Halloween!

No

Your own backyard.

no

No

Nope - keep it door to door

No

Spooky "maze" (really just a long winding path) with decor and candy stops along the way and let families in 6 feet apart asking them to just stay on the path and take one candy at each stop. Maybe use the Wiowash trail and river trails.

no

No

No events. Just staying in small groups in own neighborhood

Same answer as question 5

Trick or treating already has very little person to person contact. I believe it does not need to be changed. One idea though would to have grab and go goodie bags. If people are that worried they should stay home but don't ruin it for everyone.

Not sure

I don't...I think that with everything that 2020 has been, it would be wonderful to give kids this fun activity. It would also do wonders for adults as well to lift spirits!! (Pun intended 🤔)

No

Have kids sit outside their home and have people drive by with treats and drop them

If I were more comfortable shopping in stores, I'd go to menards and pick up materials to fashion a 6' candy delivery TUBE from my front door down to the sidewalk so that I am involved, but have zero actual contact w/anyone.

there is no alternative to trick or treat - I would want you call it something else.

Enlist various civic and church groups, along with local businesses, to provide some type of outdoor activities.

No

No let them trick or treat as usual.

Having longer hours would help allow families to keep social distance on sidewalks and walkways to homes.

No

no

None

Decorate your door or sidewalk. Have fire truck drive around throwing treats that the citizens have donated.

Have the parents do something for their own children at home.

Stay home

No, most events require a group gathering and I feel trick or treating in your own neighborhood with mom or dad is much more safe.

just like farm market but people will hand out candies for free. people handing out will be 6 feet apart, everyone MUST wear mask there will be line at the begging so kids receiving candies will start at the line and go from people to people to receive candy. there will be specific place for this event to happen my suggestion is to do this in winnabago county park. (Sorry for bad grammar english is my second language)

No events are safe or advisable at this time. We are in the middle of a pandemic. With a surge specifically in Oshkosh. Our city needs to get its priorities straight.

No

no

No, but I plan to individually bag the candy I hand out to the Trick or Treaters to minimize contact.

Something social media related? Instagram posts to show what everyone is doing as an alternative? Maybe related contests/prizes?

Nope

Just give it up, it will solve the problem. Putting treats out will just encourage some to take more.

no

Same as my answer to Question 5.

Neighborhood Zoom calls for kids in the neighborhood who want to see each other's costumes.

Let people do alternative events if they want. Let people do traditional events if they want.

I don't like the idea of leaving treats out on the sidewalk in bags etc. as unfortunately I think you will have kids or young adults taking them all or more than one. Maybe this year we all just have to pass on this social holiday. Keep activities at home.

Purchase your children and grandchildren their favorite treats and stay home !

No

Fun food. There's a million ideas on the internet.

Do not allow door to door trick or treating. It puts those of us with young children who are being safe and following the county health departments guidelines in a difficult spot. There are too many people who do not wear masks or practice social distancing. It needs to be made clear that door to door trick or treating is not allowed. If you can't follow the health departments guidelines and wear a mask and put treats at bottom of the drive way don't participate.

I feel like if you told residents to leave treat bags outside for kids to pick up, there's just no way to enforce that and many people would still open the door to hand out candy like usual. And having a city-wide trick-or-treat encourages people to go out - they'll be interacting with each other regardless of the mask mandate and physical distancing rules. So I wouldn't agree with a city-wide or downtown trick-or-treat regardless of hours. Maybe host multiple drive-through sites? Leach Amphitheater, Menominee Nation Arena, Menominee Park...

don't matter oshkosh will cancel it

none, go to neighborhood trick or treating

Cancel all

Stop the panic over the Democrats fake pandemic

Normal trick or treating!

if we don't have it I have a feeling there will be more get togethers

Neighborhood parade where you stay in your front yard and areas businesses and people who wanna give out candy can throw candy out of their vehicles it could be fun but possibly not feasible for all neighborhoods.

No just let the kids trick or treat with masks

No.

Sadly no, I wish I did. I am going to feel terrible having my light off but I don't see any other way.

Decorate more homes for drive-by viewing. Hide treats for the kids in their own yard/house/basement etc.

X

Tossing treats from a safe distance. Indoor trick or treating where candy and treats are kept in different rooms, or a whole bag is pre-hidden. An online-broadcasted Halloween movie for Oshkosh folks to tune in and watch to enjoy INSTEAD of going out.

No

Alternative events to trick or treating are not necessary. Trick or treating has always been an optional event.

This is an event that takes place outside with brief interaction with other individuals and with naturally encouraged usage of masks which are, in many cases, impermeable. I see no reason to change or edit the event. Those who are not comfortable with the holiday for whatever reason do not have to participate, just as in the past.

I see no need for an alternate event. Halloween is, and always has been, optional.

A community sponsored trunk or treat. Possibly at Sunnyview?

No

None this year

No keep it the same

Candy scavenger hunt

Community events at ymca, Paine art center in the gardens where kids are outside and trick or treat based on age groups at certain times. County park trick or treat events, etc

No, it's long tradition that a lot of people I know celebrate more than Christmas. Most people wear masks, so I don't see harm, no different than going to grocery stores.

don't restrict the hrs, that would force more people to come into closer contact

No

no

Stay home

Tar and Feather the City Council Members

No alternatives needed. Over 99.9% survival rate in kids age group. Elderly Adults, people with underlying conditions and anyone who is uncomfortable can choose to turn off lights and not participate. Time to stop canceling events.

How about postponing trick-or-treat? If Covid gets under better control by spring, do it some Saturday in April or May.

Nah

dont have it

None.

Most should be wearing a mask.

Not really. Everything I can think of event-wise will draw a crowd, which is counter intuitive.

Don't take everything away from the kids. Hard enough no socializing with schools now closed. Mental illness is going through the roof with all this confinement.

no

I love Halloween, but I'd be fine if there is no event this year. Health is more important, and Wisconsinites have shown they are not all responsible. I worry about the people who are out trick or treating like nothing's wrong.

I think it is most important to keep our community safe. This doesn't mean we have to ignore Halloween which is a holiday many in our community love and look forward to celebrating. I don't think it should go forward in the way it has in the past, that just isn't safe. Instead we can find creative ways to help people celebrate in the home with their families. Halloween can turn into a wonderful family friendly event without trick-or-treating.

There is no way to make this a safe event. Too many people do not take this seriously enough and completely disregard safety protocols. It is not possible to enforce or expect any of the recommendations listed on this survey. We have been disappointed over and over by how the state, county, and city have handled this situation.

none

No

Some sort of drive thru event could be fun. Like a Halloween parade through the residential areas.

My concern is that if we do not have a traditional T or T, people will choose to host parties at home/indoors. At least T or T is outside and you can distance yourselves.

No

no

Drive in Halloween Movie and hand out a free large bag of candy that all citizens can donate or participate in giving to the event in order for the kids to get a large bag of candy!

See above



