

DISABILITYnetwork Mid-Michigan





CAST A SPELL FOR INCLUSION THIS HALLOWEEN!

Tips for making your trick-or-treat event or home station accessible for all

Some kids may not be able to make it up the steps of a porch.

Keep your trick-or-treat station accessible by setting up shop at the end of your driveway, making paths wide and well-lit. (People who use strollers, walkers, wagons, and wheelchairs all benefit from this inclusive trick-or-treating practice!)

Not everyone loves a jump-scare.

Offer sensory-friendly hours at events with gentler lighting and lower music.

For non-speaking kids, or those who use ASL, "Trick or Treat" may be tricky.

Consider offering your own simple communication cards or a sign with visuals like: "Trick or Treat", "Thank You", and "Happy Halloween!"

Wearing costumes isn't always comfortable due to sensory/ other reasons.

Welcome kids without costumes with the same offerings as everyone else.

Trick or treaters with allergies, diabetes, dietary restrictions, etc, means candy isn't always a fun treat!

Have a separate bowl labeled "Non-Candy Treats" and offer items like:

- Glow sticks or glow in the dark jewelry
- Halloween-themed accessories like spider rings or vampire teeth
- Fun pencil grips or erasers
- Slime or playdough
- Fidget toys
- Stickers
- Bouncy balls
- Slap Bracelets
- Coloring pages, crayons
- Slinkies









This Halloween, let's make sure everybody gets to have a spook-tacular time! Not all disabilities are visible... Be kind, assume the best, and have fun!