

Travel Safe Video Contest Guidelines

Calling all filmmakers!

Put on your director's hat, grab your camera and help make our city's streets safer for everyone. The **Travel Safe Student Video Contest** invites students in Grades K-12 to create an original video to promote safety. Winning videos will be featured by the City of Calgary on Calgary.ca and/or in future education and/or public safety campaigns. The contest is run by the City of Calgary with support from additional community partners including Calgary Police Service and Calgary Public Library.

Eligibility.

We invite all Calgary students in Grades K to 12 to create an original 30-second video to promote safety while traveling on city streets, sidewalks and/or pathways. Participants may enter as individuals, with a classroom, as a group, or with family members.

Contest Period.

Contest opens on February 3, 2025 and all submissions must be received no later than 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2025. Winners will be announced at a Video Contest Screening Party on May 14, 2025 at the Patricia A. Whelan Performance Hall at the Central Library.

Prizing.

There are 9 different prize categories. The winning video in each category will receive a prize valued at approximately \$200. A video may only win a prize in one category.

Technical Requirements.

The following requirements must be met for videos to be eligible for contest submission:

Entry Rules.

- Submissions must be no more than 30 seconds in length and shot in landscape format (16:9 aspect ratio).
- Submissions must be suitable for viewing by people of all ages, and not depict gratuitous violence or gore.
- Submissions must not include: any copyrighted material including music, audio/video clips, characters, logos, or other protected materials, offensive materials or language.
- Must explore one of the topic categories outlined below by identifying a safety concern related to the topic and the correct safe travel behaviour.
- Finalist videos will be played at a public screening party on May 14, 2025
 Finalists will be notified in advance of the screening with additional instructions.

Video Evaluation.

To ensure fairness in scoring, videos will be evaluated within division/age categories. Categories include: Division I (Gr. K-3), Division II (Gr. 4-6), Junior High (Gr. 7-9), High School (Gr. 10-12)

Videos can be funny, serious, live action, stop motion, animated or a mix of styles – whatever you can imagine! See the Helpful Tips section and the Additional Resources offered on the contest website.

Criteria	Pass	Fail
Is the video shot in landscape format and is it within the 30 second time limit?	Yes	No
Is the video free of any copyrighted music, logos or other materials used in the video?	Yes	No
Is the video free of any content that is inappropriate or violent?	Yes	No
Is at least one safety topic included from the list provided?	Yes	No
Are all necessary forms for entry completed, including Participant release forms and Parent/Guardian permission forms?	Yes	No

How To Enter.

- 1. Create a 30-second video on one or more of the safety travel topics above and upload it to a video hosting website of your choice (like YouTube or Vimeo). **Do Not** send the video file to us directly as it will be too big!
- Send an email to <u>StreetSafeKids@calgary.ca</u> with the following information:
 - a. Your video's title
 - b. The safety topic of choice
 - c. The name(s) and grade(s) of everyone in your group
 - d. The name of your school (if applicable)
 - e. The link to your uploaded video so we can watch it online
 - f. Consent form for **ALL** group members (even if they are not shown in the video) that are signed by appropriate parent/guardian

Judging Criteria.

Visit Calgary.ca/travelsafevideo for details

Helpful Tips.

Visit <u>Calgary.ca/travelsafevideo</u> to learn how you can create a captivating video.

Additional Resources:

Visit **Calgary.ca/streetsafekids** for websites and resources regarding safety information that you can reference in your videos.

