ISO Dependent Newsletter

• **Simon Partners:** The Simon Partners Club is a casual social club operated by the significant others of Simon students. The Partners Club is an excellent opportunity for Simon students' partners to obtain career and volunteer contacts in the local area. Additionally, it is designed to provide partners of students coming to the Simon School an opportunity to build friendships! They welcome all partners (engaged, married, or other) of students and their families to the Simon community, even if your partner will just be visiting for the weekends. Simon Partners events take place in a casual and relaxed setting. There are no dues or fees, other than expenses incurred at planned activities. If you are interested in learning more about Simon Partners, please contact simonpartners@gmail.com and partners@simon.rochester.edu.

**American Cultures: Halloween!** Halloween is a holiday that is celebrated on the night of October 31. Common Halloween activities include trick-o- treating, costume parties, ghost tours, visiting “haunted houses” and carving pumpkins/jack-o-lanterns.

**Halloween Safety tips**

**KEEP HALLOWEEN COSTUMES SAFE**

To ensure a safe Halloween, first plan your child's costume wisely. From masks to footwear all parts should be considered for comfort and safety.

1. All Halloween costumes and accessories should be flame resistant - masks, capes, wigs, beards and hats.
2. Whenever possible try to avoid masks for children. Obstructed vision can easily lead to accidents. Makeup is safer and more comfortable. However, if you choose to use a mask or your child is begging for one....
they should be made with soft, comfortable material and allow for a full field of vision.

3. It’s really best to wear sneakers for trick-or-treating.

4. Swords, knives, wands, etc. should have no sharp edges or points and preferably made with foam or cardboard.

**Trick-or-Treating Safety**

- Always use common sense.
- Young children should _always_ go trick-or-treating with an adult.
- Plan your entire route and make sure your family knows what it is.
- Wait until you get home and a parent checks the candy before eating it.
- Be very cautious of strangers.
- Accept treats only from the doorway. Never go inside a home.
- Be sure and say thank you for your treats.
- Don’t play near lit jack-o-lanterns.
- Visit only houses where the lights are on.
- Walk, do not run.
- Walk on sidewalks and driveways.
- Cross the street at the corner or in a crosswalk.
- Take a cellular phone with you if possible.
- Wear a watch Carry a flashlight.

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Happy Halloween

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