

Why Become a Crossing Guard?

- You have the unique opportunity to give back to your community.
- Part-time work hours with weekends off. School holidays off!
- You can make a difference in the life of a child.
- Work on the front lines educating and improving pedestrian safety for students and families.
- Networking opportunities within the safety community.



Giving Back to the Community!

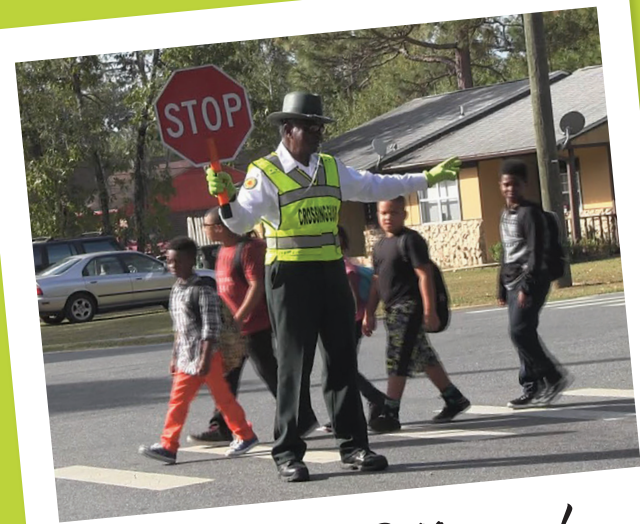
Florida School Crossing Guards!



FLORIDA SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS

Committed to safeguarding our students' journeys to school

The Crossing Guard Profession: Everything You Need to Know



Making a Difference!

Florida School Crossing Guard Training Program

<https://www.fdot.gov/safety/2A-programs/schoolcrossingguard.shtm>

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What is a School Crossing Guard?

Adult school crossing guards play an important role in helping children cross streets safely at key locations on their way to and from school. They promote safe driver and pedestrian behaviors at school crossings, and reinforce safe street crossing practices for children.

Possible Benefits

Below are some possible benefits. These will vary across agencies.

- Attendance incentives
- Health and wellness services
- Paid time off
- Holiday parties, yearly picnics, monthly social events
- Referral bonuses
- Retirement plans
- Life insurance

Agency Requirements

Each agency has a specific set of requirements. Successful completion of a background check is required regardless of the agency that you are seeking employment with. Other possible requirements include drug testing and a basic physical examination that checks mobility, blood pressure, vision, and hearing. Check with the particular agency you are interested in working for to get additional information.

How to Apply

In Florida, Crossing Guards are generally employed through law enforcement agencies or private companies.

When you are looking to apply, locate the nearest agency's website. Oftentimes, employment information can be found there. If hired, you will be trained by that agency as a crossing guard.



Job Specifications

Adult crossing guards should possess the following minimum qualifications as outlined under Section 7D.03 of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD):

- Average intelligence;
- Good physical condition, including sight, hearing, and ability to move and maneuver quickly in order to avoid danger from errant vehicles;
- Ability to control a STOP paddle effectively to provide approaching road users with a clear, fully direct view of the paddle's STOP message during the entire crossing movement;
- Ability to communicate specific instructions clearly, firmly, and courteously;
- Ability to recognize potentially dangerous traffic situations, and warn and manage students in sufficient time to avoid injury;
- Mental alertness;
- Neat appearance;
- Good character;
- Dependability; and
- An overall sense of responsibility for the safety of students.

Testimony from a Crossing Guard:

“Being a School Crossing Guard is great because we make a difference.”