



CITY OF TEXAS CITY 2016 SAFETY CALENDAR

Texas City, Texas...

What a home town should be





How to Respond to the Signal that Indicates an Emergency is in Progress

- When the siren system is activated with the high- low- high- low- high- low signal you should:
 - Go indoors – Immediately find a building and go inside. If you are in the public, locate the nearest building and go inside and stay there until the all clear is sounded. All public buildings that belong to the city that are normally open when the siren sounds will remain open and can be used to shelter in until the problem is past.
 - If you are at home, shut all doors and windows and turn off the air conditioning. Make sure that all your family is accounted for.
 - You can monitor the situation several ways:
 - Turn on a radio to 530 AM
 - If you have cable, turn to Channel 16
 - Turn your tv to any major news station in the Houston area for live coverage
 - Cars will be prevented from entering any area affected by the situation through the use of police road blocks or barricades.

DECEMBER 2015

FEBRUARY 2016

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JANUARY 2016

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LEGEND

-  Staff Review 3 PM
-  City Commission Meeting - 5 PM
-  Planning Board - 5 PM
-  Park Board 5 PM
-  Zoning Commission 5:15 PM
-  Board of Adjustments 5:15 PM

City Offices
Biosphere
Bayou Golf Course
Shooting Range
CLOSED
No trash or recycling collection
New Year's Day **1**

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3	4	5   Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library Men's Recreational Basketball League Starts	6  Preschool Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library	7 Men's Industrial Basketball League Starts	8	9
10	11	12    Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library	13 Preschool Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library	14	15	16
17	18 City Offices Biosphere CLOSED Martin Luther King Jr. Day (Observed)	19   Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library	20  Preschool Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library Senior Citizen Meet & Greet Carver Center - 10 AM	21	22	23 Mardi Gras Mainland Parade/Fun Run Noon
24	25	26   Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library	27 Preschool Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library	28	29	30
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Keeping Your Kids Safe

At Home

- Teach your children their full names, address, and home telephone number. Make sure they know your full name.
- Make sure your children know how to reach you at work or on your cell phone.
- Teach your children how and when to use 911 and make sure your children have a trusted adult to call if they are scared or have an emergency.
- Instruct children to keep the door locked and not to open the door to talk to anyone when they are home alone. Set rules with your children about having visitors over when you are not home and how to answer the telephone.
- Choose babysitters with care. Obtain references from family, friends, and neighbors. Once you have chosen the caregiver, drop in unexpectedly to see how your children are doing. Ask children how the experience with the caregiver was and listen carefully to their responses.

At School

- Walk the route to and from school with your children, pointing out landmarks and safe places to go if they are being followed or need help. If your children ride a bus, visit the bus stop with them to make sure they know which bus to take.
- Remind kids to take a friend whenever they walk or bike to school. Reminds them to stay with a group if they are waiting at the bus stop.
- Caution children never to accept a ride from anyone unless you have told them it is OK to do so in each instance.

Out and About

- Take your children on a walking tour of the neighborhood and tell them whose homes they may visit without you.
- Remind your children it's OK to say NO to anything that makes them feel scared, uncomfortable, or confused and teach your children to tell you if anything or anyone makes them feel this way.
- Teach your children to ask permission before leaving home.



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		Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library	Preschool Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library			
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		Groundhog Day				
		Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library	Preschool Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library		Recreation & Tourism Father/Daughter Dance 6 - 9:30 PM	
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			Ash Wednesday		Lincoln's Birthday	
	Spring Girls Volleyball Registration Begins	Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library	Preschool Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library			
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St. Valentine's Day	President's Day					
		Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library	Preschool Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library			
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		Spring Swim Lesson Registration Begins				

LEGEND

- Staff Review 3 PM
- City Commission Meeting - 5 PM
- Planning Board - 5 PM
- Park Board 5 PM
- Zoning Commission 5:15 PM
- Board of Adjustments 5:15 PM

NOTE: BLACK HISTORY EXHIBIT
February 1-28
Texas City Museum

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Internet Safety

- Clear, simple, easy-to-read house rules should be posted on or near the computer. Create your own computer rules or print the **Internet safety pledge**. The pledge can be signed by adults and children and should be periodically reviewed.
- Look into safeguarding programs or options your online service provider might offer. These may include monitoring or filtering capabilities.
- Always read a website's privacy policy before giving any personal information. Also make sure that a website offers a secure connection before giving credit card information.
- Websites for children are not permitted to request personal information without a parent's permission. Talk to children about what personal information is and why you should never give it to people online.
- If children use chat or e-mail, talk to them about never meeting in person with anyone they first "met" online.
- Talk to children about not responding to offensive or dangerous email, chat, or other communications. Report any such communication to local law enforcement. Do not delete the offensive or dangerous e-mail; turn off the monitor, and contact local law enforcement.
- Keep the computer in the family room or another open area of your home.
- Get informed about computers and the Internet.
- Let children show you what they can do online, and visit their favorite sites.
- Know who children are exchanging e-mail with, and only let them use chat areas when you can supervise. NetSmartz recommends limiting chatroom access to child-friendly chat sites.
- Children should not complete a profile for a service provider and children's screennames should be nondescript so as not to identify that the user is a child.
- Talk to children about what to do if they see something that makes them feel scared, uncomfortable, or confused. Show them how to turn off the monitor and emphasize that it's not their fault if they see something upsetting. Remind children to tell a trusted adult if they see something that bothers them online.

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MARCH 2016

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LEGEND

- Staff Review 3 PM
- City Commission Meeting - 5 PM
- Planning Board - 5 PM
- Park Board 5 PM
- Zoning Commission 5:15 PM
- Board of Adjustments 5:15 PM

Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library

Preschool Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library

TAAF Regional Basketball Tournament

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Texas Independence Day **2**

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TAAF Basketball cont.

Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library

Preschool Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library

St. Patrick's Day Parade
10 am

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RECREATION & TOURISM SPRING BREAK TENNIS CLINIC - LOWRY TENNIS CENTER

TAAF State Basketball Tournament

Spring Swim Lessons Session I Registration
Mathew T. Doyle Natatorium

RECREATION & TOURISM SPRING BREAK CAMP - NESSLER CENTER

Daylight Saving Time Begins

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Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library

St. Patrick's Day

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Preschool Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library

Senior Citizen Meet & Greet
Carver Center - 10 AM

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St. Patrick's Day

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TAAF Basketball cont.

Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library

Spring Girls Volleyball League Begins

Preschool Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library

City Wide Easter Egg Hunt
5:30 PM

City Offices Biosphere **CLOSED**

Spring Begins Palm Sunday

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Good Friday

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Shooting Range **CLOSED**

Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library

Preschool Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library

Summer Swim Lessons Session II Begins
Mathew T. Doyle Natatorium

Easter Sunday

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Texting & Driving... It Can Wait

Text messaging has experienced a tenfold increase in the last three years, according to CTIA—the Wireless Association. Texting is increasingly becoming the way we communicate. Unfortunately, some people may be texting from behind the wheel of a moving vehicle.

Safety Tips for Teens

- **Be smart.** Don't text and drive. No text message is worth being distracted while you drive.
- **Be in control.** Remember it's your phone. You decide if and when to send and read texts so take control. Consider turning your phone off, setting it to silent or even storing it in the glove box before hitting the road.
- **Be caring.** Never send a text message to a friend who is driving to meet you, or to anyone you know is likely behind the wheel.
- **Be a BFF.** Friends don't let each other text and drive. Visit www.facebook.com/att to take a pledge not to text and drive, and encourage your friends to do the same.

Safety Tips for Adults

- **Be a resource.** Share information with your teen about the risks of texting while driving. Take advantage of all the information you can collect and download online.
- **Be an example.** Don't send the wrong message by texting while you drive. Your teen will follow your example.
- **Be caring.** Don't send a text when you know your teen is driving. Wait for them to call or text you once they have arrived safely at their destination.
- **Be aware.** Know your options. Get with your cell phone provider to find out if they offer parents a way to manage their teen's cell phone and text messaging activity.





Water Safety in Your Backyard

For safe water play in your own backyard pool, keep these water safety tips in mind:

- Use of the pool should always be supervised by an adult who knows how to swim and knows pool rules and emergency procedures.
- The area should have a secure fence surrounding the pool with childproof locks to guard against unsupervised swimming.
- A fence is necessary even if the pool is located directly outside of patio doors. The gates should be locked when no adult is present.
- Establish pool rules and post them near the pool. Don't allow running or horseplay around the pool. Be careful with inflatable toys that may deflate unexpectedly. Use only unbreakable containers in the pool area.
- Be prepared for emergencies. Have a long pole, a ring buoy with a throwing line and a first aid kit close at hand. Keep emergency numbers handy. Get training in lifesaving, first aid and CPR.
- To prevent injuries, make sure all divers use caution. Allow diving only where the water is deep—at least 9 feet from deck—and tell divers to check water depth before diving.

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MAY 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	Summer Programs Registration Begins	Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library	Preschool Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library			Nessler Park Pool Opens Weekends Only
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8		Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library	Preschool Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library	Nessler Preschool Graduation & Open House 6 PM	TCPD LAW FEST COOK-OFF	
Mother's Day	9	Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library	10	11	12	13
	Summer Track Team Practice Begins	Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library	Preschool Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library		TEXAS CITY/LA MARQUE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FUNFEST	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library	Preschool Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library			Armed Forces Day
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HALL OF FAME FISHING TOURNAMENT	HALL OF FAME FISHING TOURNAMENT City Offices Biosphere CLOSED No trash or recycling collection	HALL OF FAME FISHING TOURNAMENT	LEGEND			
29	30	31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff Review 3 PM City Commission Meeting - 5 PM Planning Board - 5 PM Park Board 5 PM Zoning Commission 5:15 PM Board of Adjustments 5:15 PM 			
	Memorial Day					



Hurricane Safety - Before the Hurricane Hits

- Keep photos or video of your home, its content and other personal property in a separate location, such as in a safe deposit box
- Photocopy personal IDs, credit cards, insurance policies and other important documents and keep them in a watertight container with your emergency supplies
- Fuel and service family vehicles and consider investing in a fuel transfer tank
- Prepare to cover all windows and doors with shutters or plywood
- Secure or bring in lightweight objects such as garbage cans, garden tools, toys and lawn furniture
- Keep extra cash on hand for emergency purposes
- Develop a family emergency plan , detailing how family members are to evacuate the house and where to meet
- Plan to leave immediately if you:
 - Live in a mobile home (unsafe in high winds, even if securely fastened to the ground)
 - Live on the coastline, on an offshore island or near a river or flood plain
 - Live in a high-rise building (hurricane winds are stronger at higher elevations)

Hurricane Safety - During the Hurricane Storm

- Listen closely to a radio tuned to NOAA Weather Radio or official bulletins for hurricane information
- Evacuate to a safe location when instructed by officials
- Notify neighbors and family members outside the warned area of your hurricane evacuation plans
- If you have NOT been ordered to leave and remain in your home:
 - Turn refrigerator to its coldest setting and keep it closed
 - Turn off propane tanks and unplug small appliances
 - Fill bathtub and large containers with water for sanitary purposes
 - Stay in a small interior room or closet, ideally without windows

Hurricane Safety - After the Hurricane Storm

- Listen to the radio for weather, road conditions, updates and instructions
- Return to your home ONLY when instructed to do by authorities
- Do not attempt to drive through or across flowing water, or cross areas where water is flowing (moving water as little as 6" deep can sweep you away)
- Stay away from standing water (It may be electrically charged from downed power lines)
- Take pictures of the damage to your property and notify your insurance company

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-  Staff Review 3 PM
-  City Commission Meeting - 5 PM
-  Planning Board - 5 PM
-  Park Board 5 PM
-  Zoning Commission 5:15 PM
-  Board of Adjustments 5:15 PM

HALL OF FAME FISHING TOURNAMENT

TAAF State Volleyball Tournament

Nessler Park Family Aquatic Center Open Daily

HALL OF FAME FISHING TOURNAMENT

TAAF Volleyball cont.

Recreation Summer Programs & Camps Begin

Summer Tennis Lessons Begin

Summer Swim Lessons Session 1 Begins
Matthew T. Doyle Natatorium



Firefighter Games on 6th Street - 6 PM

Juneteenth Gospel Fest
7 PM

Juneteenth Golf Tournament
Bayou Golf Course - Noon

Senior Citizen Meet & Greet
Carver Center - 10 AM

Juneteenth Poetry Slam
7 PM

Juneteenth Parade & Festivities
3 PM

Summer Swim Lessons Session II Begins
Matthew T. Doyle Natatorium

Summer Begins

NOTE: Summer Concert Series and Movies in the Park Begin

For dates and times contact the Recreation & Tourism Department at 409-643-5990

Juneteenth Father's Day

Kid Fish
Carver Park
8 AM - Noon

   Flag Day

Precautions to Take While Traveling

Safety on the Street

- Don't use short cuts, narrow alleys or poorly lit streets.
- Try not to travel alone at night.
- Do not discuss travel plans or other personal matters with strangers.
- Avoid scam artists by being wary of strangers who approach you and offer to be your guide or sell you something at bargain prices.
- Beware of pickpockets. They often have an accomplice who will:
 - Jostle you,
 - Ask you for directions or the time,
 - Point to something spilled on your clothing,
 - Or distract you by creating a disturbance.
- Wear the shoulder strap of your bag across your chest and walk with the bag away from the curb to avoid drive-by purse-snatchers.
- Try to seem purposeful when you move about. Even if you are lost, act as if you know where you are going. Try to ask directions only from individuals in authority.
- Learn a few phrases in the local language or have them handy in written form so that you can signal your need for police or medical help.
- If you are confronted, don't fight back—give up your valuable.

Safety in Your Hotel

- Keep your hotel door locked at all times. Meet visitors in the lobby.
- Do not leave money and other valuables in your hotel room while you are out. Use the hotel safe.
- If you are out late at night, let someone know when you expect to return.
- If you are alone, do not get on an elevator if there is a suspicious-looking person inside.



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-  Staff Review 3 PM
-  City Commission Meeting - 5 PM
-  Planning Board - 5 PM
-  Park Board 5 PM
-  Zoning Commission 5:15 PM
-  Board of Adjustments 5:15 PM

Kite Festival
Texas City Dike - 9 AM

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3	<p>City Offices CLOSED No trash or recycling collection Independence Day Parade 10 AM Concert & Fireworks 7-9 PM at Dusk  Independence Day</p>	<p>Summer Swim Lessons Session III Begins Matthew T. Doyle Natatorium</p>	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	<p> </p>	12	13	14	15	16
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24						<p>Museum Appreciation Day 10 AM - 4 PM</p>	
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Basic Gun Safety Rules

Although the NRA (National Rifle Association) has complete gun safety rules available for specific types of firearm use, the following three rules are fundamental in any situation. Whether or not you own a gun, it is important to know these rules so that you may insist that others follow them.

- Always keep the gun pointed in a safe direction. Whether you are shooting or simply handling a gun, NEVER point it at yourself or others.
- Common sense will tell you which direction is the safest. Outdoors, it is generally safe to point the gun toward the ground, or if you are at a shooting range, toward the target. Indoors, be mindful of the fact that a bullet can penetrate ceilings, floors, walls, windows, and doors.
- Always keep your fingers off the trigger until ready to shoot. When holding a gun, rest your trigger finger outside the trigger guard alongside the gun. Until you are actually ready to fire, do not touch the trigger.
- Always keep the gun unloaded until ready to use. If you do not know how to check to see if a gun is unloaded, leave it alone. Carefully secure it, being certain to point it safely and to keep your finger off the trigger, and seek competent assistance.

What Our Children Need to Know about Gun Safety

- In a home where guns are kept, the degree of safety a child has rests squarely on the child's parents.
- Parents who accept the responsibility to learn, practice and teach gun safety rules will ensure their child's safety to a much greater extent than those who do not. Parental responsibility does not end, however, when the child leaves the home.
- It is critical for your child to know what to do if he or she encounters a firearm anywhere, and it is the parents' responsibility to provide that training.
- If you have decided that your child is not ready to be trained in a gun's handling and use, teach him or her to follow the instructions of the NRA's Eddie Eagle GunSafe Program. If you find a gun:

STOP!
Don't Touch.
Leave the Area.
Tell an Adult.



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Girls Fall Volleyball
Registration Begins

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MAYOR MATTHEW T. DOYLE CHARITY SKEET SHOOT

Complete Shooting Range
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Complete Shooting Range
CLOSED TO PUBLIC

Complete Shooting Range
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Senior Citizen Meet & Greet
Carver Center - 10 AM

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Nessler Preschool
First Day of School

Shooting Range Back to
Regular Hours

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- Staff Review 3 PM
- City Commission Meeting - 5 PM
- Planning Board - 5 PM
- Park Board 5 PM
- Zoning Commission 5:15 PM
- Board of Adjustments 5:15 PM

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Back to School: 5 Powerful Tips to Share with your Children to Stop Bullying

Teach your children:

- **Bullying is not OK.** Bullying is not genetic, in other words you are not born with it in your DNA. Bullying is not relative to race, culture, or gender, and is a behavior usually taught by someone you love or trust. Bullying is not a rite of passage, and is not tolerable under any circumstances.
- **Stop. Walk away.** Do not participate if a friend or group of friends are bullying another student. When you're feeling angry and mean, think about what you're doing and stop. Take a deep breath, and count to three.
- **Be a friend.** Offer yourself as a friend to a student who is being bullied with a smile or kind word. Everybody is special and unique. Find out what makes the student being bullied special.
- **Be brave.** If you are very brave, and feel safe, you can tell the bull to stop. You have that right.
- **Ask for help.** Go to a trusted adult if you see another student being bullied or if you are being bullied.

Teach your children that they are powerful beings, and to use their power to respond to bullying in a positive way.



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4		City Offices Biosphere CLOSED No trash or recycling collection		Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library Heights Gym Kool Kids After School Program Begins		Preschool Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library		8		9			
Labor Day		5		6		7		Patriot Day		10			
11		TEXAS CITY SMALL BUSINESS WEEK										Old Smokey Cook-Off 10 AM - 5 PM 6th Street	
Grandparent's Day		12		Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library		Preschool Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library		15		17			
18		19		Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library		Preschool Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library Senior Citizen Meet & Greet 10 AM Senior Dance "Rocking with the Nessler Seniors"		Autumn Begins		24			
25		26		Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library		Preschool Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library Winter Youth Basketball League Registration Begins Fall Swim Lessons Registration Begins		29		30			
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Fire Prevention: Home Safety

- Make a fire escape plan for your family. Find two exits out of every room. Pick a meeting place outside. Practice makes perfect—hold a family fire drill at least twice each year.
- Install smoke alarms on every level of your home. There are two kinds of smoke alarms—photoelectric and ionization. If possible, get some of each kind or buy “combination” smoke alarms that have both types of sensors.
- Put them in or near every bedroom. Test them monthly to make sure they work. Put in new batteries once a year.
- Know how to put out a small pan fire by sliding a lid over the flames.
- Teach every family member to “Stop, Drop, Roll and Cool” if clothes catch fire by dropping immediately to the ground, crossing hands over your chest and rolling over and over or back and forth to put out the flames. Cool the burned area with cool water and seek medical attention for serious burns.
- Consider having a home fire sprinkler system installed in your new home, or when you remodel.
- Learn how and when to use a fire extinguisher.

School Bus Safety

- **Bus Stop** – Your child’s bus stop should be in an area that is well lit, easily accessible, and away from traffic.
- **Clothing** – Children should be wearing bright colored clothing, especially if waiting for the bus before sunrise or getting home after dark. Place removable reflective tape on their outer garments including hats and coats.
- **Boarding** – Teach your children to only move forward to board the bus when it has come to a complete stop and the driver opens the door.
- **Seating** – Teach your children to be seated at all times and facing forward. Learn optional exit strategies including using emergency door or windows.
- **Exiting** – When exiting the bus, children must move far away from the vehicle to allow the driver to see that they have cleared the bus and are safely away from traffic. Instruct your children to stay away from the bus’ rear wheels at all times.
- **Awareness** – Teach your children to be aware of other traffic in the area. Do not assume that drivers will stop for them or even see them. Have them constantly look both ways as they cross the street until they are safely on the other side.



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LEGEND

-  Staff Review 3 PM
-  City Commission Meeting - 5 PM
-  Planning Board - 5 PM
-  Park Board 5 PM
-  Zoning Commission 5:15 PM
-  Board of Adjustments 5:15 PM

LOWRY FITNESS CENTER - BREAST CANCER AWARENESS WEEK

Heart & Sole Kickoff

Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library
Heart & Sole
Transformation Tuesday

Preschool Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library

Heart & Sole
Mammogram Day

Heart & Sole BCA
Walk Packet Pick Up

Heart & Sole BCA
Walk/Run 5K/1K
& Vendor Day

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library

Preschool Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library

Columbus Day

Yom Kippur

Fall Swim Lessons
Session I Begins

Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library

Preschool Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library
Senior Citizen Meet & Greet
Carver Community Center - 10 AM

Recreation & Tourism
Halloween Haunted House

National Boss' Day

MARATHON SPORTSMAN UNITED WAY TOURNAMENT

All Shooting Range Skeet Fields
CLOSED TO PUBLIC

Recreation and Tourism
Halloween Haunted House
& Costume Contest

Halloween

Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library

Preschool Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library



Hanging Outdoor Christmas Lights Safely

Before you hang outdoor Christmas lights, decide what you're going to work on first as well as what hardware and tools you'll need.

Although each project is different, the following tips will help ensure that your lights go up smoothly and look great:

- If possible, hang lights during the day. Avoid installing electrical items while it's raining or snowing.
- Unwrap all lights and untangle cords before you start decorating. Test each light strand. Replace burned-out or missing bulbs. Throw out strands with broken or fraying cords.
- Work with a helper. The job will go faster with someone to hand you tools and keep cords tangle-free.
- In general, start high and work your way down. As necessary, use extension cords to get power to your starting point. To eliminate a tripping hazard, avoid running lights on the ground or pavement.
- Never connect more than three strands, or 300 lights, end to end. After you finish hanging your third strand, start back at the power source for your next set.
- Use clips to attach lights whenever possible. Avoid driving nails into cords or attaching cords with staples, which can damage the lighting strands.
- If an over fire starts, turn off the heat and keep the door closed to prevent flames from burning you or your clothing. If the fire does not go out, get out of the home and call the fire department.



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	<p>Fall Swim Lessons Session II Begins Matthew T. Doyle Natatorium</p>	<p>Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library</p>	<p>Preschool Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library</p>			<p>Texas City Model Train Show Museum and Showboat Pavilion 10 AM - 4 PM</p> <p>Touch a Truck</p>
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<p>Texas City Model Train Show Museum and Showboat Pavilion 10 AM - 4 PM</p>		<p>Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library</p>	<p>Preschool Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library</p>			
<p>🌄 Daylight Saving Time Ends 6</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>📍 🌲 8</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>Veterans Day 11</p>	<p>12</p>
<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library</p>	<p>Preschool Storytime - 10 AM Moore Public Library</p> <p>Senior Citizen Meet & Greet Carver Community Center - 10 AM</p> <p>Winter Youth Basketball Draft</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>
<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>📍 22</p>	<p>Shooting Range Skeet Fields CLOSED</p>	<p>City Offices Biosphere Shooting Range Bayou Golf Course CLOSED</p>	<p>City Offices Biosphere CLOSED</p>	<p>26</p>
<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>📍 29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>🗳 Thanksgiving Day 24</p>	<p>🗳 Thanksgiving Day (observed) 25</p>	<p>26</p>
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Holiday Home Safety

Don't let the rush and excitement of the holiday season make you careless in protecting your home from potential criminals.

The holiday season is a time when busy people can become careless and vulnerable to theft and other holiday crime. The following tips can help you be more careful, prepared and aware during the holiday season.

- Be extra cautious about locking doors and windows when you leave the house, even for a few minutes.
- When leaving home for an extended time, have a neighbor or family member watch your house and pick up your newspapers and mail.
- Indoor and outdoor lights should be on an automatic timer.
- Leave a radio or television on so the house looks and sounds occupied.
- Large displays of holiday gifts should not be visible through the windows and doors of your home.
- When setting up a Christmas tree or other holiday display, make sure doors and passageways are clear inside your home.
- Be sure your Christmas tree is mounted on a sturdy base so children, elderly persons or family pets cannot pull it over on themselves.
- If you use lights on your Christmas tree ensure the wiring is not damaged or frayed. Frayed or damaged wiring can cause a fire.
- Place Christmas tree in water or wet sand to keep it green.
- Never place wrapping paper in your fireplace.

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-  Staff Review 3 PM
-  City Commission Meeting - 5 PM
-  Planning Board - 5 PM
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-  Zoning Commission 5:15 PM
-  Board of Adjustments 5:15 PM

**Texas City
Christmas Parade
5:30 PM**

**Winter Youth Basketball
League Begins**

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**Fall Swim Lessons
Session 3 Begins**
Matthew T. Doyle Natatorium

Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library

Preschool Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library

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Celebrate the Season
TC Museum & Davidson Home

Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library

Preschool Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library

**Nessler Preschool
Christmas Program**

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Toddlerific Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library

Preschool Storytime - 10 AM
Moore Public Library

City Offices
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 **Winter Begins**

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**Christmas Eve
(Observed)**

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Christmas Eve

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City Offices
Bayou Golf Course
Shooting Range
CLOSED

City Offices
CLOSED

Museum Appreciation Day
Texas City Museum

Christmas Day

Christmas (Observed)

 

New Year's Eve

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PHONE NUMBERS

(Area Code 409)

EMERGENCY

911

Mayor's office	643-5902
Accounts Payable	643-5910
Bayou Golf Club	643-5850
City Attorney	643-5926
City Secretary	643-5927
Community Development	643-5730
Economic Development Corporation	643-5927
Emergency Management	643-5840
Fire Department	643-5701
Foreign Trade Zone Corporation	643-5927
Human Resources	643-5930
Inspections	643-5946
Moore Memorial Library	643-5979
Municipal Court	643-5800
Police Department	643-5760
	948-2525

Texas City Police Academy	
Citizens Alumni Association	643-5738
Public Works	643-5810
Purchasing	643-5950
Recreation & Tourism	643-5990
Administrative Office	949-3034
Athletics/Gyms	643-5992
Carver Center	229-1277
Charles T. Doyle Convention Center	643-5990
Facility Rentals & Reservations	643-5990
Lowry Fitness Center	643-5984
Matthew T. Doyle Natatorium	949-3009
Texas City Museum	229-1660
Nessler Park Family Aquatic Center	945-2531
Nessler Preschool	949-3027
Nessler Senior Center	643-5877
Shooting Range	948-4291
Sanders/Vincent Center	655-5573

Street & Bridge Repairs	643-5810
Tax Department	643-5906
Utilities	643-5860
Water & Sewer Repairs	643-5860
After Hours/Holidays/Weekends	643-5959

Chamber of Commerce	935-1408
Texas City Housing Authority	945-4011
Community Family Center	643-8260
Mainland Youth at Risk	643-8240
Texas Workforce Commission	643-8370

SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Texas City ISD	409-916-0800
La Marque ISD	409-938-4251
Dickinson ISD	281-229-6000



Mayor

Matthew T. Doyle

Commissioners

Mike Land (Mayor Pro-tem)

Dee Ann Haney (At Large)

Thelma Bowie (District 1)

Phil Roberts (District 2)

Dedrick D. Johnson, Sr. (District 3)

Jami Clark (District 4)

***Wishing you and your family a safe
and happy 2016***

Shop Texas City First



Dear Citizens and Friends of Texas City:

As I look forward to spending 2016 with you and your family in Texas City, I am reminded of the events that take place on a daily basis in which we as a community are blessed to participate. I am honored to continue to serve as your Mayor. Our City is one of the best places in Texas to live and raise your family.

Texas City employees continue to work hard each day to bring our taxpayers the best in public service, improve our neighborhoods, and keep our citizens safe. Our new theme, "*STAY CLASSY TEXAS CITY*," is brought to you by our Texas City High School students. Our talented students have adopted this slogan as the sign-off on their news station to bring awareness to neighborhoods and local businesses. Each of us should pitch in and report undesirable situations in order to keep our city looking vibrant. There are numbers listed in this calendar to call with your questions and concerns.

In late Summer 2015, Texas City was awarded a Livable Center Study Grant from the Houston-Galveston Area Council. This study focuses on an area bounded by Texas Avenue, 25th Avenue, Bay Street, and 31th Street. The Livable Center goals are to promote efficient use of existing infrastructure, improve pedestrian accessibility and circulation, increase access to transit, and create opportunities for private investment. A committee of citizens, local business owners, developers, and church clergy is currently meeting to create more places where people can **live, work, and play** with less reliance on automobiles within our city.

HEB is open, and this new Texas City store has just about everything you need—organic foods, deli, pharmacy, bakery, and even fishing supplies. You won't be disappointed with the quality and quantity of available items. We've added a new disc golf course to Bay Street Park. Disc golf evolved as an offshoot of the Frisbee® craze and is one of today's fastest growing sports.

As always, keep informed by tuning in to Channels 16 and 17, broadcasting information to you 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. We bring you live interviews and school- and community-worthy news, as well as broadcasting emergency information. Log on to the City's website, www.texas-city-tx.org, for more useful information or to pay your water bills online. For all events in Texas City go to www.texascitycommunitycalendar.com.

I hope to see you around town and wish you a great year in 2016. May God bless you and your family, and God bless Texas City!

Sincerely,

Matthew T. Doyle
Mayor