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Summer is almost over!



August - the unofficial end of "Summer Fun" - Back to School!

There is still plenty of time to get some fun in before cold weather hits and school work becomes the biggest priority of the day.

Things To Do Before Summer is Gone

Take a road trip. Day - or weekend - trips are perfect this time of year. Plan where you want to go. Or drive until you find a place you want to visit. Take the back roads so you can stop when you see something interesting.

Book a last minute stay and take off. B&B's are wonderful places to just relax. Look for local festivals or events you can attend while you're there.



Back To School Reminders



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Explore local farmers markets. You never know what you'll find. Try a new food item. Most vendors can give you recipes or websites to go look for how to prepare it.

Visit local craft shows or fairs. You'll be supporting local vendors and it's never too early to Christmas shop!

Take a winery tour. Ladies, grab the girls, find a driver, and have some fun!

Visit a local pool or park and have a picnic. Take a new book and find a shady spot to relax and read. You may have more fun just watching the people around you.

Take a hike or bike ride through the country. Find a group to go with and make it a fun day making new friends.

Go to a baseball game. Nothing says "Summer" like baseball! Don't forget the hot dogs!

Go sailing or skiing. A peaceful trip out on a boat might be just what you need. Find a few friends and go out for the morning. Or plan a late afternoon trip out to watch the sunset. The water is still warm enough for swimming or skiing.

Volunteer! Many local service groups plan "service days" where people can help others in local communities. If you enjoy working in the yard, find one that cleans yards and home exteriors for the elderly.

Go to the Fair! It's almost time for the fairs to start up. Nothing says the "end of Summer" like the fun and "not so good for you" food at the State Fair!

Information source: countryliving.com

Notice the speed and rules. Watch for crossing guards and officers directing traffic around school entrances.

Crosswalks and car lined streets. Stop and make sure the crosswalks are clear. Also, pay close attention to streets lined with parked cars.

Dropping off or Picking up. Look for children getting out of or into cars, moving between parked cars and crossing streets. They aren't watching you.

Put your phone down. When driving around children, that call or text or email can wait.

School buses only go so fast. Either take another route, change the time you drive that route, or relax and enjoy some "you time" in the car. Crank the radio and sing along!

STOP for buses! Do not pass a stopped school bus.

See <u>www.drive-safely.net/</u> <u>school-bus-laws/</u> for the laws in your state.

Combined information sources: nsc.org, exchange.aaa.com, and adt.com.

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