**Have a Safe and Happy Thanksgiving!**

**Did you Know...**

Thanksgiving is the biggest day of the year for cooking-related fires in the home!

Leaving cooking unattended contributes to 34% of home cooking fires.

Stay in the kitchen when food is cooking on the stove and stay in the house when the turkey’s in the oven.

Have safety equipment ready: potholders/oven mitts, fire extinguishers, and working smoke detectors!

**Set a safe dinner table!**

- Opt for flameless candles to avoid fire hazards.
- Avoid using tablecloths. Young children can pull at them!
- Keep hot foods at the center of the table where it is difficult for children to reach.
- Keep chairs pushed against the table when not in use so young children don’t climb on them.

**Make Thanksgiving a Safe Holiday for Kids to Enjoy!**

- Make a 3-foot kid free zone around hot surfaces
- Turn all pot handles to the back of the stove
- Keep matches, appliance electrical cords, and sharp objects (kitchen knives) out of reach at all times!

**Safe Ways Kids Can Help:**

1. Create place cards
2. Decorate placemats
3. Wash fruits and vegetables
4. Measure recipe ingredients
5. Mix ingredients in mixing bowls

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