

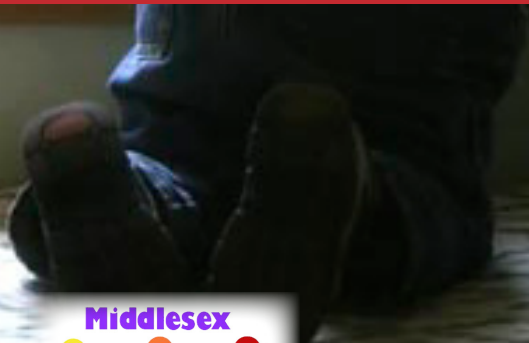
Protect your
child from
window falls



Window Safety
Kids Can't Fly!



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*Teach your child
that it is NOT SAFE
to play near windows!*



Preventing falls out of windows is as important as learning how to exit through one in an emergency. Unattended children run the greatest risk of falls and injuries, so the best first step is to watch your children as they play. Nothing can substitute for careful supervision.

Lock all unopened windows.

Open windows from the top down if possible.

Keep toys and climbable furniture such as beds and sofas away from windows.

Set and enforce rules about keeping children's play away from windows or patio doors. Falling through the glass can be fatal or cause serious injury.

Install window stops to prevent windows from opening more than 4 inches.

Install window guards with a quick-release feature for emergencies.

Plant shrubs or place other soft material under windows to cushion potential falls.

Don't rely on screens to protect your child — screens are designed to keep bugs out, not children in.

*Windows can provide a means of
escape in case of a fire.
Determine your family's emergency
plan and practice it.*

*Help children learn to safely use a
window under these circumstances.*



Visit the Middlesex Child Advocacy Center for more information on how to keep kids safe!
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