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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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### Elementary Students Get a Lesson in Fire Safety

In honor of National Fire Prevention Month, Lancaster ISD partnered with the City of Lancaster Fire Department to provide fire safety tips to Lancaster ISD students that just wrapped up at the end of October.

Lancaster firefighters visited each Lancaster ISD elementary school to share fire safety tips with students, demonstrate *stop drop and roll* procedures and explain the importance of developing a fire escape plan with parents.

“Our visibility matters so that the students, teachers, and public see us as a part of their community. We have seen many cases where the safety lessons have prevented fires from happening in homes, Beau Jackson, fire captain of the Lancaster Fire Department said. “We have seen our escape lessons save lives of our citizens. The Lancaster Fire Department looks forward to Fire Prevention Month every year and strongly values the relationship we have with the Lancaster Independent School District.”



Throughout the visits, students from Pre-K to 5<sup>th</sup> grades were attentive to the firefighters as they explained information about how to prevent and escape house fires. The students were able to get an up-close and personal view of a firefighter’s uniform, tour the big red fire truck and play with the truck’s sirens.

Fire engineer Kevin Benson hopes that these hands-on visits will educate and stick with the students in the event that they are ever faced with a serious fire threat.



“I hope that we are able to educate these students in a way that makes learning about fire safety fun. More importantly, we educate them in a way that allows them to act in a safe manner, Benson said. “We have already experienced success and positive outcomes from this program.”

The Lancaster Fire Department conducts numerous public presentations and visits Lancaster ISD annually to raise the public’s awareness of fire and personal hazards. The approach is to educate the public about the risks found in everyday life, such as bicycle safety, pool safety, and fire exposures.

For more information on fire safety, please visit [www.Lancaster\\_tx.com](http://www.Lancaster_tx.com).