



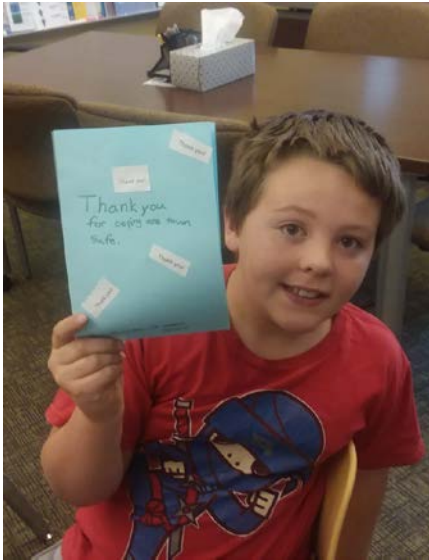
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Safety Talks at Aspen Elementary



During the month of December, Aspen Elementary counselor Kim Pulliam and the Los Alamos Police Department collaborated to present important safety tips and tools to support students in staying safe over the holidays. In conjunction with the Healthy Schools Initiative Prevention Program and local first responders, Pulliam was able to reach over 100 students at Aspen.

Pulliam spent 30 minutes in each classroom she visited and discussed information like when (and when not) to call 911, why it's important to know your own address and how to stay calm while on the phone with dispatch. Pulliam also had the students play a simple game with School Resource Officer Adele McKenzie and Dispatch Officers Seth Martinez and Ruben Garcia, which consisted of navigating tricky scenarios regarding calling 911.

Students even recognized local first responders with hand-written thank you notes.

Pulliam said, "I really enjoyed talking to the students about this topic, and I think that it was very worthwhile." She also thanked McKenzie and the Dispatch Officers for helping to make the lessons interesting and impactful for the students.

The safety talks at Aspen are part of overall safety improvements for students and staff in the Los Alamos Public Schools. For more information, please contact the Prevention Support Specialist, Brandi Seekins, at b.seekins@laschools.net.

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