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Paulding Firefighters Teach First Graders Fire Safety

Dallas, Georgia – October 29th, 2019 – Paulding County Firefighters celebrated October’s “Fire Safety Month” by educating every first grade class across the entire Paulding County School District.

“With the help of Mrs. Tiffany Frachiseur, the Executive Director of Elementary Operations, we visited to all nineteen elementary schools and have served nearly 2,300 students,” says Jim Sprankel, Paulding’s Fire Education Specialist.

“This year our department was able to commission a special “Fire Safety Engine” to enhance the program for these young kids. The Fire Safety Engine includes a permanently mounted television so that our Firefighters can use age-appropriate videos as part of the class. We wanted the kids to have fun and see something that would make a positive impact on them”.

Paulding County’s Fire Safety Education program has been operating since the 1980’s and has trained tens of thousands of children. Since the majority of fires happen in the home, it is essential that everyone, at all ages, knows how to react when the smoke alarm sounds.

Remember to check your smoke alarms monthly and replace batteries annually when daylight savings time ends. This year that will occur on Sunday, November 3rd.

So far in 2019 the state of Georgia has lost 53 lives due to fire. In each of those cases, there were no working smoke alarms.

If your home does not have a working smoke alarm, please contact Jim Sprankel at 678-383-3424 for assistance.

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