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La Grange Students Are “Water Wise”

La Grange ISD fifth graders have now become “water wise”, thanks to a pilot hands-on water conservation program that teaches the importance of water, energy, and related environmental issues. On May 4th, the fifth graders in Mrs. Hawkins’ and Mrs. Williams’ science classes got to experience this award-winning program, called “WaterWise”, which also provided action kits for the students to take home and conduct their own investigations and experiments.

The program was sponsored and funded by the Fayette County Groundwater Conservation District, and was presented by Susan Brown, whose services were provided at no charge by the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District. Ms. Brown, also known as the “Water Woman”, made the science-based program both fun and informative.

The Fayette County Groundwater Conservation District will evaluate the success of this educational program and also look at other available programs with the intention of expanding water conservation education to all school districts within Fayette County. Drought is not the only time when water should be used efficiently. Texas continues to grow rapidly. The population of Texas is expected to almost double to about 40 million people by 2050. As these students learned, despite all the advances in technology, we still can not make new water. There is the same amount of water on the Earth today as there was thousands of years ago. Since the water supply is limited, all Texans should learn to protect and conserve our most valuable natural resource.

More information on water conservation can be obtained at the District’s Office located at 254 N. Jefferson St., Room 600, La Grange, Texas 78945 during the office hours of 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon Monday through Friday, and on the District’s website at www.fayettecountygwater.com.

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