The 9-11 Kids Program provides public education on the proper use of 9-1-1 within Castle Rock, Colorado. The 9-1-1 Program is coordinated by 2 Castle Rock Police Dispatchers, Melissa Varela and Amie Shost. With a combined experience of 16 Years Amie and Melissa apply their knowledge to teach children the importance of 9-1-1 in the Castle Rock community. For example, Melissa and Amie take pride in educating families on 9-1-1 at special events such as the Art Festival, Star Lighting, parades, town wide functions, Boy Scout meetings and Girl Scout meetings.

Along with community events, Melissa and Amie have created a special presentation they bring into the elementary schools. The presentation includes an 18-minute video titled, “The Great 9-1-1 Adventure” which features Red E Fox and his friends reminding us not to play on 9-1-1 and educating us on when to call 9-1-1. Castle Rock Police activity pages are handed out along with a bag of other goodies such as rulers, pencils, magnets and stickers. To maintain a level of excitement the children have the opportunity to demonstrate what he or she has learned on the 9-1-1 Teletrainer. The Teletrainer is a teaching aide that allows the child to dial 9-1-1 on a simulated phone while the instructor asks the child questions which would be asked in a true emergency. The Teletrainer allows students to role-play and learn from each other’s conversations.

If you are interested in scheduling a special event or school program please contact 303-663-6100

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