



On Friday, May 6, 1011 Whitney Lake Park Rangers Tennille Hammonds and Jennifer Sleezer, seen here as Bobber, conducted a water safety presentation to Aquilla ISD. The rangers conducted an in depth water safety training for the pre-k students teaching them the proper fitting of a lifejacket and the “Reach, Throw, Don’t Go!” tactic. Students were encouraged to try on lifejackets to find the right fit and were also allowed to board the ranger boat to take a look at equipment which rangers use. After the presentation Ranger Hammonds and Bobber stopped in all the elementary classrooms to teach “Reach, Throw, Don’t Go!” and hand out water safety prizes. Once the short visit was complete the rangers had made over 150 direct water safety contacts and teachers have already scheduled a return visit!

Whitney Lake staff has also been busy making water safety contacts to park and office visitors. Although recreation season is just gearing up, the staff made over 600 water safety contacts within a 5 week period. The photo shows just a few children who were contacted at McCown Valley Day Use Area.