



Quick Facts

Hero:
Jake Cantu

Grade:
2

Learned Skill:
Poster

Saved:
Classmate

EVERYDAY HERO STORIES:

A Friend to the Rescue

When second-grader Jenna Kulak started choking on a piece of candy her classmate, Jake Cantu, stepped in and successfully performed the Heimlich Maneuver!

Seven-year-old Jake first saw the maneuver illustrated on a poster and his dad went on to teach him how to perform it.

Jake's quick thinking saved his classmate. His school used the choking incident as a teachable moment and using our program to prepare other kids in his class for a choking emergency!



Jake Cantu and Jenna Kulak

“On February 11, our sweet Jenna choked on a hard piece of candy, which was lodged in her throat and prevented her from breathing.” said Julie Kulak, Jenna’s Mom. “Jake immediately asked Jenna if she was choking and performed the Heimlich, successfully dislodging the candy.”

In a special school assembly, Jake Cantu was presented the “Hero Award” by H.C.E.S.D. #5 for his heroism and quick response in a crisis.