



## **STUDENTS AT PRIMITIVO GARCIA HONOR CESAR CHAVEZ**

Kansas City, MO – During the month of April, the students and staff of Primitivo Garcia World Language School in Kansas City, Missouri honored the life, work, and ideals of Cesar E. Chavez with numerous activities, including a march and rally on April 23, the 11<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Cesar's passing. Other activities included studying the life of Cesar E. Chavez, quilting, song-writing and performing.



All 21 classes at Primitivo Garcia were engaged in researching Cesar's life and planning class tributes to him. The students contributed to a 21-panel quilt commemorating the life and work of Cesar E. Chavez. Each class created a panel depicting one event in Cesar's life and a related quote.

Currently, the quilt is being displayed in the art gallery at Guadalupe Center. The quilt will also be displayed at Central Missouri State University and the University of Kansas.

One of Primitivo Garcia's second grade classrooms wrote a song about Cesar, under the direction of a local musician. The song aired on KKFI 90.1 FM, a Spanish radio station in Kansas City, on Sunday, April 18; and the students performed the song at a March and Rally celebrating Cesar Chavez Day on Friday, April 23. The students also performed the song on May 4 and 5 in celebration of Cinco de Mayo.

"This experience has been a way of giving back to the community," said Missy Condit, Primitivo Garcia's vice principal.

"We want people to know about our school and to let them know that we celebrate all heroes."

Primitivo Garcia World Language School is located at 1000 West 17<sup>th</sup> Street in Kansas City, Missouri. For more information, please call (816) 418-8725.



Ms. Sandra Castillo's second grade classroom performing their song on the 11<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Cesar's passing.

The song lyrics are as follows:

*Cesar Chavez, Cesar Chavez  
Yes we can, Si Se Puede he says  
It starts with your heart, and radiates out  
Love and peace, that's what it's all about*

*His family was poor, he went to 37 schools  
He knew that education was a life-lasting tool  
The farm workers needed better pay  
Let's start a union together today*

*Cesar Chavez, Cesar Chavez  
Yes we can, Si Se Puede he says  
It starts with your heart, and radiates out  
Love and peace, that's what it's all about*

*United Farm Workers  
The eagle flag  
The strike and the picket line*

*They boycott  
Cesar would fast  
To try to change people's minds  
Huelga, Huelga  
Viva la Causa*

*Huelga, Huelga  
Long live our cause we sing*

*Cesar Chavez, Cesar Chavez  
Yes we can, Si Se Puede he says  
It starts with your heart, and radiates out  
Love and peace, love and peace, love and peace*

*That's what it's all about*  
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