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Today members of the Modesto Regional Fire Authority along with American Medical Response (AMR) and the Modesto City School District partnered to teach 245 middle school students at Mark Twain Junior High School how to perform Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR). The students were trained in “Hands Only” CPR as they rotated through their PE classes.

Every year over 400,000 people suffer out-of-hospital cardiac arrest in the United States. Sadly 89% of those who suffer a cardiac arrest out-of-hospital do not survive. The key to increasing survival rates is early CPR. With this in mind, we have partnered with AMR and Modesto City Schools to instruct “hands only” CPR to all middle school students at the four middle schools in the Modesto City School District.