

Quick Facts

Hero: SCO Deputy Tiffany Hill

Age:

Adult

Learned Skill: Through professional training

Saved: Student

"He took a big gasp and then fell to the floor "

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Kevin– Ramirez-Villa Gomez and SCO Deputy Tiffany Hill

Kevin Ramirez-Villa Gomez was eating lunch in the school courtyard when he began having difficulty breathing due to choking on a chicken nugget. His second grade teacher Kellie Lowe noticed he was in distress and hurried to bring him to the Nurse's office.

Student Resource Officer, Deputy Tiffany Hill happened to be in the school office when Kevin came in. She knew that if he was coughing that he would be fine, but after sitting him in a chair in the nurse's office, the student suddenly stopped coughing, gasped and fell out of the chair and landed on the floor, struggling to breathe.

At this point, Hill began administering the Heimlich Maneuver on Kevin. On the third abdominal thrust, the chicken nugget stuck in his throat flew out. The crisis was over.

"Tiffany is a shining star," said Union County Sheriff Eddie Cathey. "She goes out of her way to help people and is constantly volunteering her time to serve others. She is truly an asset for Union County and makes a difference everywhere she goes. We are so thankful she was there on Monday to help this child."

Luckily, Hill was at the school when it happened, as she is SCO at three Elementary schools in Union County. It was a blessing that she was there.