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NEWS RELEASE - FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

DATE:

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TO:

All News Media

FROM:

Prevention / Inspections Division

SUBJECT: WATER SAFETY AWARENESS

May is National Water Safety Awareness month. With this in mind, summer is fast approaching, and families will be heading to the waterways in Wisconsin and beyond for summer activities.

Eau Claire Fire and Rescue and the Water Safety Task Force have created a water safety program to present to the Eau Claire School District 5th graders as part of this year's spring prevention programs. This program will teach students about the inherent dangers of water and provide them with the tools to keep themselves and their families safe. Beginning May 1, personnel will present the aforementioned water safety program, as well as fire/EMS information to the district's 4th graders.

On May 6, at 1:00 p.m., we invite the media to be present at Lakeshore Elementary School for the 5th grade presentation. Please join us in getting the word out about water safety, and let's aim for a safe summer on our waterways.

If you have any questions about these topics, please call the department's Fire Prevention Division at 839-4825.