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Rainbow Days Partners with Texas A&M MSC Spencer Leadership Conference to Bring Joy to Local Homeless Children and Youth

ARLINGTON – On Feb. 9, **Globe Life Park** was visited by a very special group of guests: **40 homeless children and youth** living in local motels and transitional living sites joined **student mentors from Texas A&M** for a day marked by fun, bonding and one-of-a-kind experiences.

Such a wonderful event was made possible through a longstanding partnership between **Rainbow Days** and **Texas A&M's MSC Spencer Leadership Conference**. For years, students from the annual conference have joined Rainbow Days for special events focused on **servicing, mentoring and bringing joy** to children and youth experiencing **homelessness and adversity in the Dallas community**.



This year was no different; the kids in attendance had the rare opportunity to experience **Globe Life Park** firsthand. The children participated in **personal tours of the ballpark**, which included visits to the press box, bullpen and **Texas Rangers** dugout. All children were paired with individual student mentors from Texas A&M with whom they could tour the ballpark, play in the Kid's Zone and enjoy lunch.

"It is amazing to see the kids make memories and **form genuine bonds** with their new friends from Texas A&M," said Kelly Wierzbinski, Rainbow Days' Director of Family Connection. "We are grateful to our partners at the MSC Spencer Leadership Conference, who consistently help us create **positive experiences** for the children we serve and **expose them to what their own futures could be like.**"

The day prior, all of the student mentors attended the **MSC Spencer Leadership Conference**, which is hosted **annually in Dallas**. For this prestigious conference, Texas A&M sends a **select group of sophomore students** to learn from top business professionals about **leadership, ethics, mentorship**



and **service**. Thus, a day spent with Rainbow Days was the perfect way to end the conference; through this **direct mentorship event**, the students put what they learned into practice while encouraging, mentoring and **impacting the children and youth** and creating special memories to last a lifetime.



Rainbow Days would like to thank the following individuals and organizations without whom this event would not have been possible: **MSC Spencer Leadership Conference; Brian Burgess; and Reynaldo Casas** from the **Texas Rangers Baseball Foundation**.

ABOUT RAINBOW DAYS: Rainbow Days is a **501(c)(3) Dallas-based nonprofit** organization. Founded in **1982**, Rainbow Days has a mission to **help children and youth in adversity build coping skills and resilience to create positive futures**. Through support groups, camps, mentored events and tangible items, Rainbow Days serves over **10,000 at-risk children and youth in the Dallas area annually**. For more information, please visit www.rainbowdays.org or call our office at (214) 887-0726.

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