

Teacher honored for safety lessons

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A Torrance teacher has won a classroom renovation and a trip to Washington, D.C., for her efforts to teach students about safety.

Victoria Corpuz of Arnold Elementary School was one of five grand prize winners in an annual cooperative awards program of the National Center for Missing and Exploited and Children and the Honeywell Corp. called "Got2BSafe!"

Corpuz was selected for her year-long use of Got2BSafe curriculum, dividing it into four phases, including parents in the lessons and bringing in local officials for a safety-centered speaker series followed by a student safety contest.

Corpuz and her four co-winners are headed this week to Washington, where they'll be honored at the NCMEC's annual Hope Awards and participate in a congressional breakfast at the White House.

Her classroom renovation, valued at \$10,000, will occur early this summer and be unveiled to her students in the fall.