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St. Michael School Delivers a Super **Souper Bowl** Competition

As most football fans eagerly awaited the 2009 Super Bowl championship, St. Michael School students worked together to collect 2,704 cans of soup and crown their own 2009 *Souper Bowl* Champion.

Every year, St. Michael School participates in a *Light the World* campaign that focuses on serving school, local and global communities. This year, one of the St. Michael School 6th grade service programs used the enthusiasm of football's NFL Super Bowl competition to generate a friendly *Souper Bowl* competition among the entire K-8th grade student body. During the week before the Super Bowl, each St. Michael School class collected cans of soup. The class that collected the most cans of soup won the championship.

This year's *Souper Bowl Champion* was Mrs. McElroy's Kindergarten class with a whopping 433 cans of soup. Mrs. Krears' Second grade class came in with an amazing 278 cans and Mrs. Sunday's Kindergarten class donated an impressive 268 cans. Mrs. Navarro's Sixth grade not only spent time advertising the contest, but also collected 254 cans. After the collection of the cans from all the classrooms, the grand total was 2,704. The cans were then packed up and the 6th graders loaded the trucks that delivered the cans to the local food centers.

"The football Super Bowl takes on a deeper meaning for all our students this year because the *Souper Bowl* program helped emphasize helping others and supporting our community," stated Mrs. Kim Dandurand, a 6th grade teacher and a huge Pittsburgh Steelers fan.

Light the World service themes for Grades K to 2 are "Kids helping Kids," grades 3 & 4 are "Helping Sick and Elderly," grades 5 to 7 are "Helping the Hungry and the Homeless," and grade 8 goes out into the community for "Service to Others."

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