Washington Primary School participated in Fire Prevention Week on Friday, October 11th. The Fire Prevention Week commemorates the Great Chicago Fire that took place on October 8-9th where thousands of people lost their lives. This tragic fire inspired the development of safety codes and fire safety education programs throughout communities. The Washington Volunteer Fire Department provided several learning experiences for all the students at Washington Primary School. Firefighters presented information in each classroom highlighting what to do to stay safe in a fire. In addition, firefighters set up a full kitchen in the school gym where students explored kitchen safety. Students learned that cooking requires one’s full attention and to keep things that can catch on fire like oven mitts, wooden utensils and paper towels away from stovetops. They also learned that kids and pets should be at least three feet away from the stove. Lastly, the students were excited to explore the fire trucks and fire equipment. The Washington Primary School students, staff and families thank the Washington Volunteer Fire Department for their comprehensive school program and their commitment to our community.