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KIDS GET HELP COPING WITH ASTHMA

Children with the disease learn how to better control it.

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Wheezing and sniffing were far from the minds of the young soccer players as they dribbled balls between cones.

For some, it was the first physical activity they had done in a long time.

With the left defender of the Kansas City Wizards, Matt Marquess, cheering them on and their excited shouts echoing in the gym, the kids couldn't wipe the smiles off their faces Tuesday afternoon.

The 10th Annual Superkids Asthma Day Camp, held at the Jewish Community Center in Overland Park, had begun.

"This week has been a really a great social network for the kids," said Melissa Ford, the executive director of the Kansas City chapter of the Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America, which sponsors the camp. "A lot of times kids with asthma can feel isolated, especially during PE when they can't participate in a lot of things. This helps them feel like part of a community."

Ford, along with her volunteers, created a week filled with educational games, interesting speakers and various activities for the kids, who range from second-graders to seventh-graders.

The camp lasted all last week and gave

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With a kick to the left and a kick to the right, 8-year-old Daniel Eagan of Olathe wove his way through a set of cones Tuesday at Superkids Asthma Day Camp.

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Superkids Asthma Day Camp is a one week program for asthmatic children who have finished grades 2-6. Children learn about asthma management through games, crafts, and other fun activities from experienced health care professionals.

