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School's Name: El Porvenir Preschool
School's Principal: Dania Torres
Community Name: El Rincon, Moropocay, Nacaome
Student's Name: Dany Argenis Baca Nieto

(Editor's note: Because children 3, 4 and 5 years old are substantially less physically developed than a child 6 years old, the Honduras Government and Honduras educators established a shorter walking distance for kindergarten children than for elementary school children. As a result, certain kindergartens are not close to an elementary school. These stand-alone kindergartens must have a person who is responsible to the government and parents for operations of the school; these kindergartens must have a principal. Several of our schools have stand-alone kindergartens. To these kindergarten principals, performance is measured by successfully delivering children to 1st grade who are ready for 1st grade. The following story is from one such kindergarten principal.)

Dany is a 4 year-old boy that came from a family that was extremely poor (he suffered from malnutrition). Their neighbors recommended to his parents that they enroll him in school because that school was in the Lunches for Learning program. His parents were not so sure. We, the teachers, visited his house and saw what he ate - every now and then, a cup of black coffee and a tortilla. So, we as a (school) community explained to the parents that Dany would be given a better meal at school every day. The parents reluctantly did it.

Once Dany had been in school for a while, he was asked what his favorite thing about school was. He answered "the daily meal."

Now Dany is a fourth grade student who encourages his younger siblings to start and attend school. He acknowledges that if it weren't for the Lunches for Learning program, he would not have started or stayed in school.

Jardin De niños El Porvenir

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1^{er} Alumno Dany Argenis Baca nieta

Madre: Rosa Emelina nieta

Padre: Carlos Humberto Baca.

Dany es un niño de 4 años que proviene de una familia de extrema pobreza que los vecinos de esa familia le decían que el niño fuera al kinder porque allí les daban merienda, pues la familia del niño se presentó al jardín lo matricularon y el niño sin reverso se ~~me~~ preparo para ir a clase que yo como su maestra me llamo tanto la atención que le preguntaba si le gustaba el kinder. me decía que si y le pregunté que te gusta del kinder y el niño me dijo que la merienda. porque en su casa solo comía tortilla. con café y entonces yo pense en irlo a visitar, y lo fui a visitar por varias veces y así yo descubri la alimentación que el niño recibia en su casa entonces, así fui yo dedicandome a los demás niños. para que todos los niños del jardín recibieran una buena alimentación.

Ahora el niño está en 4to grado, y el
motiva a sus hermanos para que sigan
estudiando, porque el programa de leche nos
da una buena alimentación y el niño
dice que el sí no fuera por su alimentación
no terminaría con sus estudios.

Agradece el y su familia al programa y dice
que si pudiesen apoyarlo para poder
seguir estudiando el ciclo.

Prof Wania Torres