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Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center Surpasses 100,000 Visitors

*Chicago International Charter School students celebrate important milestone with
Museum as field trip tips attendance over 100,000 mark*

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SKOKIE—The Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center welcomed its 100,000th visitor on April 7, 2010 with a special visit from the Chicago International Charter School (CICS)-Basil Campus. Fifty-four 8th grade students were greeted by the Museum's Executive Director Richard S. Hirschhaut and its President Fritzie Fritzshall, who is also a Holocaust survivor. Hirschhaut and Fritzshall gave special remarks and took pictures with the group. As a special treat, each student was also given a "100 Grand" candy bar to mark this special milestone in the Museum's history.

"Education is the heart of this Museum's mission," said Hirschhaut. "As our one-year anniversary approaches, it is fitting that we welcome and celebrate our 100,000th visitor with the students of CICS Basil. They exemplify the reason this Museum was built—to educate today's and future generations about the meaning and relevance of the lessons of the Holocaust, so that they may be empowered to combat hatred, prejudice, and indifference in the world today."

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*Likely the last international institution of its kind built with the active participation of Holocaust survivors, the Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center is the largest facility in the Midwest dedicated to preserving the memories of those lost in the Holocaust and to teaching current generations to fight hatred, indifference and genocide in today's world.*

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