

Paradise Valley Unified School District
Grayhawk Elementary School

NURSE'S OFFICE

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Dear Grayhawk Parents:

Grayhawk Elementary School has several children with a severe allergy to peanuts, peanut products, cashews, and other nuts. *These allergies can be fatal.* We ask that you assist us in providing these students with a safe school environment. AVOIDANCE is the only way to prevent an allergic reaction.

This is how you can help:

- **Do not send any nuts or items containing nuts to school. This includes containers that used to have nuts or peanut butter in them.**
- **Talk to the teacher before sending food to school for parties.**
- **If your child eats peanut butter before school, please make sure they wash their hands before coming to school.**
- **Peanut butter and nuts are not served in the school cafeteria. Some children bring their lunch to school. There will be a special area at the tables in the cafeteria for children who have severe food allergies. Peanut butter sandwiches will not be allowed in that area.**

Thank you for your help. If you have any questions about food allergies, please contact the School Nurse at 602-449-6600. We will be happy to help you.

Sincerely,

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