



## **Pendergast District's Sonoran Sky School Receives Playground Equipment Donation from Banner Thunderbird Medical Center**

*Students benefit daily from amazing donation*



*January 6, 2020 - Glendale, Arizona –* Pendergast District's Sonoran Sky School in Glendale was thrilled to receive a donation for seven pieces of primary playground equipment from Banner Thunderbird Medical Center. The equipment was installed in November and is in use by the Pre-school, Kindergarten and First Grade classes.

According to Joseph Jacobo, Sonoran Sky principal, "Our students love the new playground equipment we received from Banner Thunderbird Medical Center. The colorful and dynamic structures help our students to use their imagination during their recess time as well as encouraging them to be active. This helps us to set a positive tone for a lifetime of physical fitness. Parents have also commented on how wonderful this is for their children and how happy they are. We are grateful for the donation that will be enjoyed by students in our school for years to come."

Pendergast Superintendent Dr. Lily Matos DeBlieux shares, "We are so grateful to our partner, Banner Thunderbird for this donation. We know the value of outdoor play for our students, and this equipment not only is wonderful for students, it shows the value of our partnerships for our school communities. A huge thanks to Banner Thunderbird for believing in our schools and our District."

**A Ribbon Cutting Ceremony is slated for Friday, January 17, 2020 at Sonoran Sky Elementary School located at 10150 West Missouri Avenue, Glendale, AZ 85307 at 9:00 am. The event is open to the public.**

Banner Thunderbird Medical Center has served the Northwest Valley for more than 25 years. Their unrelenting focus on excellent patient care has helped them become one of the most preferred hospitals in the Valley. The 890,000 square-foot acute-care facility is located on the southwest corner of 55th Avenue and Thunderbird Road in Glendale, Arizona.