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Dear Grand Canyon School Families,

As many of you are aware, the recent flash flood at Bright Angel Creek caused significant damage to the water pipeline serving our community. This event has reminded us just how important and vulnerable our water infrastructure and water resources are in the Grand Canyon.

In response, Grand Canyon School is taking steps to conserve water and reduce our usage while our community works through the impacts of the damaged pipeline. Our goal is to do our part to protect our available water supply while continuing to provide a safe and supportive learning environment for our students.

During this time, Grand Canyon School has implemented the following water conservation processes:

- **Porta Potties:** 17 stalls have been provided throughout the campus. Students in PreK are not using them, elementary students only during recess, students in grades 6-12 are using them throughout the day.
- **Handwashing stations:** 10 handwashing stations have been placed next to the porta potties as well as in front of the doors by the playground for students to wash hands before lunch.
- **Drinking fountains turned off:** students have access to drinking water provided through donations of cases of drinking water. Water filling stations are available in the MPR and high school building.
- **School Kitchen:** using disposable lunch trays and conserving water where possible.
- **Encouraging students and staff to use water responsibly:** this includes turning off faucets when water is not needed, drinking all the water in the bottle, and reusing and recycling plastic water bottles.
- **Incorporate water conservation into classroom discussions and activities:** this helps students understand the importance of stewardship and responsible resource use.
- **Work cooperatively with community partners and local authorities:** as we receive information we will make changes to our campus to continue safety and learning.