

## Attention All USA Parents:

At USA we want to be known as a business that cares about their community, as well as our clients, students and staff. We believe that the reward that is received when we give back is a great character builder for our team athletes.

When we have the opportunity to do something great for our community, we want to do it in a big way!

Gilbert and Greater Phoenix Blood Banks are in **desperate** need for more blood donations. Did you know that well over 500 donations are needed EVERY day to keep up with the need? We can help!

USA has scheduled a two day Blood Drive here at our Gilbert facility on April 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-8:00pm. Our plan is to make this a great event for our staff, team parents and recreational parents to participate in. We will have not only the Blood Donation Truck, but the Tikiz Shaved Ice and Ice Cream truck here. All donors will receive a **Free** shaved ice or ice cream.

If you qualify (see below) and would be interested in donating blood, please read the attached information sheet on how to set an appointment. The best way to schedule your appointment is online. You will receive confirmation as well as a reminder email. You may also email me, and I can schedule the appointment for you. If you choose to schedule through me, please give me your first, second and third choice of time slots. Time slots are every 10 min., beginning at 4:00pm and ending at 7:50pm. If you have an interested donor that is between 16 and 18 years of age, they may still participate if they have a permit signed by a parent. Just let me know and I will send the parent permission form to you.

What a great opportunity to set an example for our children and to support a worthy cause. It would be great if ALL parents/athletes, that meet the criteria, were to participate.

How awesome would it be to know that USA has made a difference in our community to those facing a very difficult health issue?

Thank you,

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### Basic Requirements:

- At least 16 years old (parental permission required if under age 18)
- Weigh at least 110 pounds (some additional restrictions apply for donors under the age of 23)
- In good health

If you have questions about your eligibility, please see "Donor Qualifications" on the blood services website ([www.UnitedBloodServicesAZ.org](http://www.UnitedBloodServicesAZ.org)) or call Eligibility at 480-675-5497.