Ya'at'eeh,
Greetings to all during this holiday season! I want to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to all of you who have contributed to the Navajo Head Start program over the past few months. I am incredibly grateful to have the opportunity to work with all of you as a special and powerful force for creating a safe and positive environment for our young children and families.

As we reflect on the many things for which we are thankful for and for what brings gladness to the heart, I would like share what we are most appreciative for:

- We are thankful for our children – they give us all daily inspiration of what is important and why we are here
- We are thankful for the support of the parents, grandparents, families, and communities
- We are thankful for the center, support, and management staff who kind, caring, compassionate and who keep our students at heart
- We are thankful for our great Diné – Navajo Nation and leaders.
- We are thankful and grateful for our Diné language and culture as Navajo Head Start professes Diné language and culture preservation...

The first part of the 2019-2020 Navajo Head Start school year has gone by quickly, and it has been exciting, inspiring, and challenging. We are thankful for and look forward to continue working with you and our “Nataani – Leaders” in assuring high quality services to our Diné-Navajo children, families and communities that have kept the faith and trust in us. In visiting the classrooms/centers it is wonderful to see the joy in the faces of our children, and I hear gratitude from parents, grandparents, and leaders who appreciate the difference our staff members make for our children and families.

Enjoy your break and this special time of winter, again thank you for being such an important part of our Navajo Head Start program and our children’s lives. I wish you and your family a very safe and blessed Christmas and New Year!

Ahe’hee!
Dr. Elvira Bitsie

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