



# EAGLE RIDGE ACADEMY

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Dear Eagle Ridge Academy School of Grammar Families,

You may have heard of the new phenomenon called fidget spinners. Fidget spinners are instruments that have been touted as helping children with ADHD focus in the classroom. While this claim may or may not be true, we are having issues with fidget spinners in the School of Grammar at Eagle Ridge Academy. The same is true in many schools across the country.

As a result of the aforementioned issues, we will not be allowing **any** fidget spinners at school (unless it is specifically written in a student's IEP or 504 plan). Students may not have them in backpacks for before or after school either. Any fidget spinners will be taken by teachers and kept until a parent picks up the spinner from this point forward. We appreciate your assistance with eliminating this distraction as we head into the final weeks of the school year.

If you would like to learn more about fidget spinners, here is a link that can give you more information.

<http://www.npr.org/2017/05/14/527988954/whirring-purring-fidget-spinners-provide-entertainment-not-adhd-help>

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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