Oil City Area School District



March 27, 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope this letter finds you well. We are excited to announce an educational opportunity for our students: the upcoming solar eclipse. As I am certain you have heard, on April 8, 2024, there will be a partial solar eclipse visible in our area, providing a unique learning experience for our students. The eclipse is scheduled to occur as the secondary students are heading home.

A solar eclipse occurs when the moon passes between the sun and the earth, partially or completely blocking the sun's rays. It's a rare and fascinating phenomenon that offers a valuable chance for students to learn about astronomy and science in a real-world context.

At no time during the eclipse will it be safe to look at the sun without protection of certified eclipse viewing glasses. Therefore, the Oil City Area School District will be providing eclipse viewing glasses to all students.

Any early dismissals or absences related to the eclipse will be considered excused on April 8, provided parents/guardians reference the event when notifying the school on their written excuse.

If you have any questions or concerns about the solar eclipse, please don't hesitate to contact us. Thank you for your continued support of our school's educational initiatives. We look forward to this exciting learning opportunity and the chance for our students to witness the wonder of the universe firsthand.

Warm regards,

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Superintendent of Schools

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