



Inspiring, Challenging, and Preparing Every Child, Every Day

Opt Out Form
Solar Eclipse Viewing Activity
on August 21, 2017

On August 21, a total solar eclipse will be visible over the United States. A total solar eclipse occurs when the moon lines up perfectly in front of the sun completely blocking the sun from our view. It will be the first total solar eclipse in the continental United States since 1979. The path of totality will move from the west in Oregon to the east in South Carolina. The path of totality falls just north of Topeka but Topeka will be at 99% totality. In Topeka, the eclipse begins at 11:39 am, will be at maximum partial eclipse at 1:07 pm (99%), and ends at 2:34 pm.

The Auburn-Washburn School District will make the solar eclipse a safe, active learning experience for our students. It is a real-life event that can be used to address our science standards. Teachers will provide background on the topic, stress the importance of wearing protective eyewear at all times, and then will take students outside to experience the solar eclipse. Protective eyewear will be given to all staff and students, and again, safety will be stressed.

Opt Out Statement and Signature

I am the parent/guardian of the student listed below, and by completing the information below **AND** returning it to my student's school, I am opting him/her out of going outside to view the solar eclipse.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Student Name: _____

Student's School: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____