

# COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1

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April 5, 2024

CCIS Parents and Guardians,

On Monday, April 8 a solar eclipse will be visible across North America, including our area. During a solar eclipse, the moon passes between the sun and the earth, temporarily blocking the sun's light. To provide our students with a safe and educational opportunity to view the eclipse, Coal City Intermediate School has obtained certified eclipse viewing glasses for students. CCIS will plan to go outside and view the eclipse from 1:55-2:15pm on Monday, April 8 at the optimal time for the eclipse in our area.

Looking directly at the sun, even during an eclipse, can cause serious and permanent eye damage. Students will only be allowed to view the eclipse while wearing the provided certified viewing glasses. CCIS teachers will review safe viewing practices with the students before the eclipse.

If you would prefer that your child not view the eclipse, please email me [tcarlson@coalcityschools.org](mailto:tcarlson@coalcityschools.org) or contact your child's teacher.

For more information about the eclipse, here are a couple of resources available online:

NASA - <https://science.nasa.gov/eclipses/future-eclipses/eclipse-2024/>

National Geographic - <https://education.nationalgeographic.org/resource/eclipse/>

We look forward to sharing this exciting experience with our students. If you have any questions, please contact the CCIS Office at 815-634-2182 Ext. 0.

Sincerely,

*Tracy Carlson*

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Principal  
Coal City Intermediate School