



Re: Frontier Schools Student Solar Eclipse Viewing Permission for Parents/Guardians

A solar eclipse will be visible on August 21, 2017 and Frontier Schools will be in the line of vision for this event and has planned a unique learning experience for students. All students who wish to participate, unless an individual student's parent and/or guardian directs us otherwise, will be outside to take part in this exciting event.

If you would not like your child to participate during the solar eclipse event on August 21, 2017, please notify your child's school as soon as possible. Frontier Schools will provide an alternative indoor activity.

At Frontier Schools, student safety is our top concern. The safest way to view the uneclipsed or partially eclipsed sun is through special-purpose solar filters, such as "eclipse glasses." According to NASA, homemade filters or standard sunglasses, even very dark lensed ones, are not safe for looking at the sun. Frontier Schools will provide all students who attend the solar eclipse event with proper eclipse glasses to wear during this event. Although there is no way to fully guarantee student safety during such a rare event, Frontier Schools will take precautionary measures including, pre-education to make students aware of the risks involved from looking directly at the sun. At no time should students or participants remove their eclipse glasses and look directly at the sun, as it could cause permanent eye damage or other unknown effects. There is no way for the school to guarantee that your child will not remove their eclipse glasses, so please speak with your child about the importance of keeping their eclipse glasses on at all times during this event.

The Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education has compiled many helpful resources for teachers and parents, which is available on their website:

<https://dese.mo.gov/communications/eclipse>.

Again, if you do not wish for your child to be outside during the solar eclipse even on August 21, 2017, please notify your child's school as soon as possible.

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