



For the Newnan, GA area:
Partial Eclipse Begins: 1:05 PM
Maximum Partial Eclipse: 2:36 PM
End of Partial Eclipse: 4:01 PM



Great American Eclipse -- August 21, 2017

Solar Eclipse Viewing Opt Out Form

On August 21, 2017, Coweta County Schools will be just outside the path of a total eclipse. In the Newnan area at approximately 2:36 p.m. the sun will be about 95 percent obscured. This event is being called "The Great American Solar Eclipse" because it is the first time since 1918 a solar eclipse will be visible on a path across the entire continental United States. Planning is already underway to ensure our students can experience this unique event.

The eclipse will occur at the end of the school day. In order to ensure a safe dismissal and in order to allow teachers and students to experience this incredible learning opportunity, the dismissal time for elementary schools will be delayed until 3:00 p.m. Middle and high school dismissal will also experience a delay of approximately 30 minutes. Each school will send a letter home with students prior to the event outlining school-specific dismissal procedures.

Safety is always a top priority for CCSS. We will take precautionary measures with both students and staff to make this experience both safe and enjoyable. With the assistance of a local business partner, Coweta County Schools has purchased eclipse-safe viewing glasses that meet the ISO 12312-2 international safety standard for students and staff. For information regarding the safety certification of the special viewing glasses CCSS has ordered, please visit https://eclipse2017.nasa.gov/sites/default/files/publications/Safety_508.pdf

A parent/guardian signature on this sheet is requested by **August 18** for parents/guardians who choose to **opt out** of allowing their child to view the eclipse with safety glasses. Those students not participating will view televised coverage and complete alternative activities from inside the school building during the eclipse.

I opt out of my child viewing the solar eclipse on August 21 using eclipse-safe viewing glasses.

Student Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____