



On August 21, 2017, (our first Monday of the school year), Caney Valley 8th and 9th grade students will be travelling to Hiawatha, Kansas to view a total solar eclipse. This event is being called “The Great American Solar Eclipse,” because it is the first time since 1918 a **total** solar eclipse will be visible on a path across the **entire** continental United States. It also is the first **total** solar eclipse in the U.S. in 39 years.

Safety is important! We will take all precautionary measures with both students and sponsors to make this experience both safe and enjoyable. Eclipse-safe viewing glasses will be provided for all students and sponsors going on the field trip. Homemade filters or ordinary sunglasses, even very dark ones, are NOT safe for looking at the sun. Students will NOT be permitted to look at the un-eclipsed or partially eclipsed sun through unfiltered cameras, telescopes, binoculars or other optical devices, with or without sunglasses. Viewing the eclipse involves risk, which could result in injury to the eyes, if eclipse safe viewing glasses are not worn properly. Students must view the solar eclipse with the solar glasses provided.

Students may bring hats, sunglasses, sunscreen, phones, cameras, or binoculars and are responsible for their own items. Students may bring snacks and their own sack lunch, or request a sack lunch from the school.

The bus will **leave at 6:00AM on Monday, August 21, 2017.** The eclipse in Hiawatha begins at 11:39am with totality (when the sun is completely covered by the moon) at 1:04pm. We will return to Caney approximately between 6:30-7:30pm.

The student listed below has my permission to attend the Total Solar Eclipse at Hiawatha on August 21, 2017.

PARENT NAME: _____ DATE: _____

PARENT SIGNATURE: _____

STUDENT NAME: _____ School Sack Lunch: Yes or No