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Dear ETSD Staff and Families,

<u>Highlights</u>: April 8 Eclipse; ETSD Superintendent Testimony at NJ Budget Hearing; How to Help with our Budget Challenges webpage; MS Graduation June 14; EEF Golf Classic June 3; Lunch and bus aides needed!; Events, Activities, and Resources.

ETSD Superintendent Testimony at NJ Budget Hearing 3.26.24

New on ETSD homepage: How to Help with our Budget Challenges

Events & More

April 13, 8 AM, Rice—Black Run Preserve Poker Run, great local event

May 3 deadline, "All In" Poster Contest, https://www.njcie.org/poster-contest, New Jersey Coalition for Inclusive Education (NJCIE)

May 3, 5 pm, Gibson House–Acton Children's Business Fair for children grades 4-12 who have a business or an idea for one, for children who think about things they like to do and turn it into a business. 3 categories, G4-G6, G7-G9, G10-G12. Cash prizes for the top three winners of each age group who move on to "Shark Tank" style event on May 16th.

June 3rd, Evesham Education Foundation 2024 Larry Kull Memorial Golf Classic
SAVE THE DATE Fri., June 14, 8th Grade Graduation: DMS 5:30 pm, MMS 7:30 pm,
Cherokee Performing Arts Center...our middle schools will provide more info for families

April 8 Solar Eclipse

Our April 8 school day schedule will remain unchanged. The eclipse, a great opportunity for students to get excited about science, is supposed to begin around 2:08 pm, peak at 3:24 pm, and end around 4:35 pm. Families are encouraged to talk with their children about eye safety during the eclipse, which will overlap with school dismissals. Staring directly at the sun anytime can cause serious eye damage. Safe viewing practices include indirect viewing methods or using eclipse glasses, which our elementary school PTAs/PTO have generously purchased. These will be distributed to the students in school. MS dismissal is well before the peak. Please note: Regular sunglasses will not protect the eyes. For more info: American Optometric Association.



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Our teachers will integrate this incredible learning moment into the school day. Resources for capitalizing on this once-in-a-lifetime educational event include:

- https://fi.edu/en/events-calendar/2024-solar-eclipse-viewing-party (Franklin Institute)
- https://www.bcls.lib.nj.us/news-updates/total-eclipse-events (County Library System)
- https://new.nsf.gov/news/nsf-prepares-activities-for-aprils-solar-eclipse (National Science Foundation)
- https://neefusa.org/resource/educational-resources-2024-total-solar-eclipse
 (National Environmental Education Foundation)
- https://www.wbgu.org/solareclipse/ (PBS)
- https://www.nsta.org/eclipse (National Science Teaching Association)
- https://www.scientificamerican.com/report/the-great-american-total-solar-eclipse-of-2024/ (Scientific American)

Lunch and bus aides needed!

\$17 an hour. Apply to be a Lunch Aide! Apply to be a Bus Aide!

Events, Activities, and Resources

- https://raproom.org/home: Local resource to help and advocate for families and their loved ones struggling with alcohol and drug addiction.
- BookSmiles volunteer opportunity for students 16 years and older
- https://www.evesham.k12.nj.us/community/community_activities: New additions!

In the news: Marlton = 16th hottest real estate market in the country, up from 22nd in Dec., 2023 (Mt. Laurel 8th, Cherry Hill 40th, Medford 42nd)

https://www.nj.com/realestate-news/2024/03/this-nj-town-ranks-4th-for-hottest-real-estate-markets-in-nation-see-top-150-list.html

Sincerely,

Dr. Justin Smith

Superintendent of Schools