



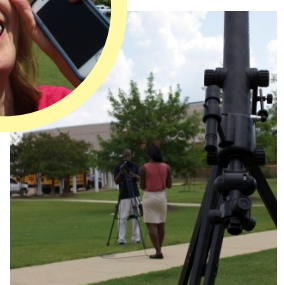
The solar eclipse was a once in a lifetime experience that took place this year. Students and teachers took a break from class to walk outside and witness this event. Safety glasses were provided as a gift from our local McDonald's enabling students and staff members across our district to safely view the eclipse.

"It was a cool experience for me and my friends, being able to take pictures and wear the glasses was pretty cool," freshman Skylar Carr said.

"The solar eclipse was really cool. It was the best solar eclipse that I have seen in my life. I remember one as a kid. It got pretty dark, but it wasn't as much coverage as this one was. The solar eclipse glasses were awesome. We could use the glasses to put it on other equipment, like the telescope. The telescope was something I didn't have as a kid. It allowed us to see the shape of the moon as it moved across the sun and the sun spots. It also allowed us to measure and collect data. We were able to see when the temperature dropped. It dropped in the middle of the day because the moon was literally blocking the sun, not clouds. It was ten to eleven degrees cooler. My wife and I got super excited and started trying to find where the next total solar eclipse would be. We plan on going to New Zealand [to see the next eclipse in 2028]," Coach Jonathan Begnaud said.



Extreme Top: Myrian Menzie, 12 Kyion White, 10 and special guest, Tupelo Mayor Jason Shelton, stare safely at the sun thanks to the generosity of our local McDonald's. **Bottom Left:** Seriyah Dixon, 11 Cedric Lunar, 12 and Emma Grace Joyner, 12 try to protect their eyes while getting the cool shot. **Bottom Right:** Principal Art Dobbs stares contemplatively at both the sun and the moon at the start of the eclipse.



Top Left: Blair Thornton, 11 and Ravneet Singh, 11 give a thumbs up excited for the day. **Top Middle:** Michelle Chow, 11 and Sally Grace Shettles, 11 smile together having fun. **Top Right:** Heaven Hamilton, 10 gazes up at the eclipse. **Bottom:** The entire student body enjoyed the day outside thanks to McDonald's Corp. for providing the glasses.

Top Left: Will Edwards, 12 is unable to concentrate on anything else because the eclipse has caught his eye. **Top Right:** AP Physics teacher and XC coach, Mr. Begnaud collects scientific data from the eclipse. **Bottom Left:** Oceana Harris, 12 takes time out from looking at the historic eclipse to smile for the camera. **Bottom Right:** News anchors from WTVA attend the eclipse to film and document the event. **Middle:** Mrs. Harris gives a big smile for the eclipse.

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Extreme Top: Mrs. Ware points out the variances of the eclipse to her students. **Above:** Claire Bailey looks at the eclipse through the special lenses set up by the science department. **Far Left:** Luke Overton, Jalin Boyd, Brookes Hudson, Jack Brister and Sam Mansell are joking around enjoying the day outside. **Left:** Brianna Aguire, 11 gives her opinion of the experience.