CFAES Community,

As many of you know, the total solar eclipse on April 8 will include a 124-mile-wide band impacting many of our CFAES locations. Public Officials are uncertain of all the ways the anticipated visitors might impact traffic and other services on that day. Given that, we encourage faculty and staff to work remotely, if possible, to avoid any traffic congestion related to people coming to the area to experience the eclipse. Managers and their teams should work together to create a work plan. Learn more about flexible work guidance for managers.

The Office of Academic Affairs encourages faculty and instructors who teach classes during the eclipse to, if appropriate, offer flexibility to students for this once-in-a-lifetime event.

Our CFAES Wooster campus will be in the path of totality, and hosting hands-on activities, food trucks, and viewing for the eclipse. Limited quantities of eclipse glasses will be available. The BUGmobile will be on campus and science day activities will take place inside the CFAES Wooster Science Building and Fisher Auditorium from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Learn more about the events here. If you plan to be on the CFAES Wooster campus, the planning committee is looking for volunteers to aid in parking, as information guides and shuttle drivers. Sign-ups for 1-hour time slots can be found here: SolarEclipseVolunteerSignUp.xlsx. Please discuss your ability to help with this event with your supervisor. Lunch and t-shirts will be provided for those who can volunteer for at least 1 hour.

Sincerely,
Dean Cathann Kress

Cathann A. Kress, Ph.D.
Vice President for Agricultural Administration and Dean
College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences
140 Agricultural Administration, 2120 Fyffe Road, Columbus, OH 43210
614-292-4703 Office
kress.98@osu.edu