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Early dismissal due to solar eclipse

The Conseil scolaire du Grand Nord, Superior-Greenstone District School Board, Superior North Catholic District School Board and Conseil scolaire de district catholique des Aurores Boréales have agreed to an early dismissal on Monday, April 8, due to the solar eclipse.

This change will allow students to leave school around lunchtime and head home before the eclipse which is expected to occur at or near school dismissal time. School boards are concerned that students who take the bus or walk home without adult supervision may try to watch the eclipse and risk damaging their eyesight.

This decision was taken to ensure the safety of students.

The Canadian Association of Optometrists has issued a set of guidelines for safe viewing of the eclipse. Parents/guardians are invited to consult their [website](#) to better understand the risks that influenced the decision for an early dismissal.

The school boards thank parents/guardians for their understanding.

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