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EPISD teachers to get solar eclipse primer on Wednesday

EL PASO, TEXAS — Teachers in the El Paso Independent School District will be busy welcoming students for the first day of classes on Monday, Aug. 21, but that doesn't mean they won't have a chance to sneak in a quick lesson on the solar eclipse happening that day.

Evelyn Maldonado, the manager of EPISD's Gene Roddenberry Planetarium, will be on hand at EPISD Connect on Wednesday at Chapin High School to show teachers quick and safe ways to teach their students the science behind the solar eclipse.

Maldonado will be presenting from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 16, at the Chapin High School rotunda, 7000 Dyer St.

Teachers will receive information about the eclipse, including safety precautions to share with students and parents. They also will get basic training on safe ways to view the effects of the eclipse with their students.

The solar eclipse is slated to hit its peak darkness hour in El Paso at about 11:45 a.m. on Monday.

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