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Observe the Partial Solar Eclipse at Triton College's Cernan Earth and Space Center

RIVER GROVE – Observe the partial solar eclipse at the Triton College Cernan Earth and Space Center on Saturday, Oct. 14, 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. The Cernan Center will be selling eclipse glasses in the Star Store for \$1.80 per pair.

The event will begin with a safe observation of the sun at 10:30 a.m. (weather permitting). Inside the Cernan Center, visitors are welcome to watch a livestreaming video from locations where the annular eclipse is visible.

At 11 a.m., attendees can watch the planetarium show, *Eclipse: The Sun Revealed*. This riveting feature examines the history and cultural views of eclipses, and the celestial dance that causes eclipses. Tickets are \$4 per person.

Enjoy *The Dark Side of the Moon Cosmic Light Show* at 12:30 p.m. Tickets can be purchased for \$5 per person.

The high point of the eclipse is occurring at 11:57 a.m., when the sun will be eclipsed 43 percent as seen from Chicago. The eclipse will end at 1:22 p.m., when the moon and sun are once again separated in the sky, thus concluding the event at 1:30 p.m.

The Cernan Center would like community members to mark their calendars for the next solar eclipse, which will occur on Monday, April 8, 2024.

For detailed information about eclipses, the paths of annularity and totality, maps, timing and more, visit <u>https://www.triton.edu/campus/cernan-center/eclipse-resources-solar-and-lunar#partial</u>.

The Triton College Cernan Earth and Space Center hours are Monday-Thursday, 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.; Friday, 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m.; and Saturday, 6:30-9:30 p.m. The Cernan Center is closed on Sundays.

To follow the Cernan Earth and Space Center on Facebook, visit <u>http://facebook.com/cernancenter/.</u>

For more information, visit <u>http://triton.edu/Cernan</u> or contact <u>cernan@triton.edu</u>.

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