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Rio Hondo College to Host Lunar Eclipse Viewing for K-12 Students in Partnership with Whittier Astronomical Society

WHAT: Rio Hondo College will host a lunar eclipse viewing party for students from Whittier City School District, East Whittier School District and South Whittier School District.

The event is co-hosted by the local school districts with telescopes and volunteers from the Whittier Astronomical Society.

WHEN: 6:30 to 10 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 20

WHERE: Rio Hondo College Parking Lot C, 3600 Workman Mill Road, Whittier

DETAILS: The event will begin with a welcome, presentations and lectures. Eclipse viewing will begin at 8 p.m. with peak viewing from 8:45 to about 9:45 p.m.

On Jan. 20, the sun's rays will reflect on the surface of the moon, coloring it red – leading to the name “Blood Moon.” The next total lunar eclipse will be in May 2021.

The event will be canceled if there is a heavy cloud cover or rain.

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