



KOKI-TV (FOX23), Tulsa, OK
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Quarterly Issues/Program List

1st Quarter 2023

KOKI-TV provides its viewers with news and public service announcements that address issues of concern to our local community. Among the issues determined to be of most concern to the community during the preceding calendar quarter were:

- Weather
- Education
- Municipal Issues
- Crime
- Health

This report contains a representative sample of the issue-responsive programming aired on the station. For more information about the station's issue-responsive programming, please contact the station directly.



FOX23 News Programming: Local newscasts providing information on weather, crime, safety, family issues, and education.

- FOX23 News This Morning — 4:30am-9:00am (weekdays); 6:00am-10:00am (Saturdays); 6:00am-9:00am (Sundays)
- FOX23 News at 11 — 11:00am-12:00pm (weekdays)
- FOX23 News at 5 — 5:00pm-6:00pm (weekdays); 5:00pm-5:30pm (weekends)
- FOX23 News at 6 — 6:00pm-6:30pm (weekdays)
- FOX23 News at 6:30 — 6:30pm-7:00pm (weekdays)
- FOX23 News at 9 — 9:00pm-10:00pm (every night)
- FOX23 News at 10 — 10:00pm-10:30pm (weeknights and Sundays)

Severe Weather Coverage: FOX23 News is committed to being on air and online, giving the latest conditions as severe weather moves into the KOKI-TV viewing area. FOX23's team of meteorologists provide frequent on-air updates leading up to and continuing throughout the period when people need to be preparing for severe weather. During that time, FOX23 leads every newscast with weather and the entire news team is involved in providing the latest information on current conditions and damage across our viewing area.

KOKI Local News of Public Interest:

Weather

Deadly Tornadoes and Rare Snow Reported Across U.S.

Date: 1/13/23 5pm

Duration: 1:45

Shae Rozzi

A string of dangerous, deadly weather has been reported across the United States. Deadly tornadoes have landed across the Midwest to the southeast, while rare, historic snow is falling in California. Americans are concerned about seeing deadly tornadoes touch down well before the Spring and worry this could make the upcoming severe weather season more active.

FOX23 Severe Weather Team Tracks Drought, Fire Danger in Owasso

Date: 1/16/23 6am

Duration: :25

Michelle Linn

Continued drought has created dangerous fire conditions across Green Country. A grass fire in Owasso got dangerously close to homes near 193rd Avenue. Firefighters were able to keep the flames away from homes, but FOX23 Meteorologist Laura Mock provides tips on protecting your home during high fire danger warnings.

Meteor Caught on Camera in Broken Arrow

Date: 1/20/23 6am

Duration: 1:30

Laura Mock

FOX23 viewers have sent multiple images and videos of a bright meteor flying over the skies in Broken Arrow. Meteorologist Laura Mock discusses the meteor's path and when we can expect to see something similar in Green Country next.

Snow, Ice Reported Across Green Country

Date: 2/1/23 5am

Duration: 1:45

Spencer Humphrey

The FOX23 Severe Weather Team is tracking winter weather moving into Green Country. Icy roads and slick areas have been reported across the Tulsa metro, and FOX23 reporter Spencer Humphrey offers a live update on road conditions. Several intersections have been closed in anticipation of dangerous conditions during the morning rush hour.

Arctic Freeze Brings Dangerous Temperatures, Wind Chill to Oklahoma and the U.S.

Date: 2/3/23 5pm

Duration: 1:45

Shae Rozzi

Extreme, frigid temperatures are traveling south from the Arctic, bringing dangerous temperatures and wind chill to Green Country. Meteorologists are calling the blast "a life-threatening" event. Temperatures are expected to feel as cold as 32 degrees below zero. Crews are preparing roads across Tulsa, and up north, 70,000 people are under a blizzard warning.

International Earthquakes Spark Concerns for Earthquakes in Oklahoma, U.S.

Date: 2/13/23 9pm

Duration: 2:05

Sara Whaley

Following the aftermath of the devastating earthquakes in Turkey and Syria, many Americans are concerned about the possibility of a similar earthquake here. Seismologists say California is most at risk for a major earthquake, along with areas along the Midwest, including Oklahoma. Because earthquakes cannot be predicted, scientists are urging Americans to prepare and raise awareness for the possibility of an earthquake.

FOX23 Severe Weather Team Tracks Dangerous Winter Storm

Date: 3/14/23 5pm

Duration: 1:45

Rick Maranon

FOX23 meteorologists are tracking a powerful winter storm moving across the Midwest to the Northeast. The storm is bringing heavy snowfall, strong winds, and flooding. Some areas in the Northeast are expected to receive between 9 to 28 inches of snow. Areas in Oklahoma are also expected to see some icy precipitation.

What is “Ground Sweat” and How Does it Develop?

Date: 3/22/23 5pm

Duration: 1:15

Michael Grogan

Spring is the wettest time of the year in Oklahoma, but it doesn't have to rain to see water on the pavement. FOX23 meteorologist Michael Grogan explains the phenomenon of ground sweat, which happens when moist air is warmer than the ground temperature overspreads in the area.

Experimenting with Hail and Storm Formation

Date: 3/29/23 5pm

Duration: 1:45

Michael Grogan & Mikayla Smith

FOX23 meteorologists Michael Grogan and Mikayla Smith travel to Tulsa's Discover Lab to show a visual demonstration showing how hail and thunderstorms develop due to updrafts. It's an attempt to show viewers how storms form as we enter severe weather season.

KOKI Local News of Public Interest:

Education

Catoosa Public Schools Asks Voters to Approve Bond to Pay for New School

Date: 1/4/23 5pm

Duration: 2:30

Amy Hybels

Catoosa Public Schools is asking voters to approve a \$9,000,000 bond that would complete multiple classrooms at an elementary school. Last year, Catoosa voters approved a \$52,000,000 bond that would build the new elementary school. However, the school district found that they were \$7,000,000 overbudget during the design phase. The additional funds would allow crews to finish construction and place all grades to fall under the same roof.

New Program Educates College Students About the Agriculture Industry

Date: 1/6/23 5am

Duration: :30

Michelle Linn

The Shepherd's Cross, a sheep farm in Claremore, hosts internships with colleges to help students learn the basics of farming and the importance of the agriculture industry. The director of the program, Dr. Diane Dickinson, said it's an experience that can properly round out a college student's education.

Oklahoma Attorney General Investigates Epic Charter Schools Founders, Former CFO

Date: 1/11/23 5pm

Duration: :25

Shae Rozzi

Gentner Drummond, the Oklahoma Attorney General, is taking over the investigation into the founders and Chief Financial Officer of Epic Charter Schools. Ben Harris, David Chaney, and Josh Brock is accused

of mishandling taxpayer money. The Oklahoma Bureau of Investigation was initially investigating the crimes.

Tulsa Public Schools Receive Mental Health Services Grant

Date: 2/9/23 5pm

Duration: :30

Nathan Thompson

Tulsa Public Schools has received a \$50,000 grant from the Morning Crest Healthcare Foundation. The grant will help TPS teachers' pay for health insurance deductibles for mental health services. The current deductible is \$750, which is seen as a deterrent keeping teachers from getting treatment.

Oklahoma State Superintendent Considers Legal Action Over Alleged Books in School Districts

Date: 2/13/23 5am

Duration: 2:15

Spencer Humphrey

Oklahoma State Superintendent Ryan Walters says he is investigating claims that two Oklahoma school districts have pornographic books in their libraries. However, the districts say the books were never in their libraries. Walters is proposing that these districts have their accreditation lowered in response. The districts include Oklahoma City and Putnam City.

Bixby Middle School Hosts Basketball Tournament for Students with Special Needs

Date: 2/20/23 6pm

Duration: :30

Sara Whaley

Bixby Middle School hosted "Bixby Spartan Hoopers" this week, giving students with special needs a chance to play basketball with other students. It was a chance for students to not only play sports but to socialize and communicate with other students. Bixby Middle School says they plan to make the tournament an annual event.

Tulsa Teacher Named Oklahoma's Teacher of the Year

Date: 3/2/23 10pm

Duration: :35

Shae Rozzi

Booker T. Washington's Traci Manuel has been named as Oklahoma's Teacher of the Year. Manuel has been teaching in Tulsa Public Schools for 13 years, and she is also a Booker T. Washington graduate. Manuel will travel across the state for the next year to talk to teachers and give them tips about how to be the best teachers they can be.

Proposed Bill Would Prevent Special Needs Students from Receiving Corporal Punishment

Date: 3/14/23 5pm

Duration: 3:00

Rick Maranon

Oklahoma lawmakers are divided over House Bill 1028, which would prevent administrators from giving corporal punishment to special needs students. The bill failed by two votes, sparking conversation

between lawmakers and parents. Oklahoma is one of 19 states that allows administrators to spank children without parental consent. The author of the bill plans to pursue the issue.

Oklahoma Lawmakers Pass Education Plans for Public School Districts

Date: 3/15/23 5pm

Duration: 2:00

Rick Maranon

The Oklahoma House and Senate have both passed their education plans, which include budgets, school choice, and teacher salaries. The plan would establish a \$40,000 minimum salary for Oklahoma teachers and give parents more freedom and tax credits involving school choice. The plans are expected to pass.

KOKI Local News of Public Interest:

Municipal Issues

Oklahoma Dept. of Transportation Announces New Projects for 2023

Date: 1/3/23 9pm

Duration: 2:05

John Asebes

The Oklahoma Department of Transportation has announced several large projects for 2023. There are several improvement projects scheduled across Green Country, including a repavement plan for the Broken Arrow Expressway near Highway 51. Signs have already been placed to warn drivers about the construction crews and projects ahead of the Monday start date.

New Laws Bring Changes Involving Absentee Voting in Oklahoma

Date: 1/11/23 5am

Duration: 1:45

Jennah James

In the past, Oklahomans who preferred to vote with an absentee ballot were automatically sent ballots. However, a new law says that voters must request an absentee ballot from their local election board. The request must be made several weeks before the upcoming election. The next election is scheduled for February in Rogers County. Voters will decide on bonds for several school districts.

Multiple Turley Firefighters Resign Over Accusations of Wrongdoing

Date: 1/13/23 6am

Duration: 2:00

John Asebes

Six members of the Turley Volunteer Fire Department have resigned, effectively cutting the force in half. While the firefighters have not given an explicit reason for resigning, many have pointed to wrongdoing and unfair conduct within the department. Members of the community are concerned, as the mass resignation leaves many people at risk. The County Commissioner told FOX23 that Turley doesn't fall under country jurisdiction, but Tulsa County firefighters will assist if needed.

U.S. Department of Transportation Announces Plans to Tear Down Leg of Tulsa's IDL

Date: 2/1/23 5pm

Duration: 3:25

Rick Maranon

U.S. Department of Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg traveled to Tulsa to discuss grants and improvement plans for metro roads. One of the biggest projects includes tearing down the northern leg of the IDL, an extension of I-244. Buttigieg believes that the removal of the northern leg will help revitalize the economy around the Greenwood district. The DOT will receive community feedback before making any decisions on the removal.

Oklahoma Voters Prepare for Upcoming Election on Legalizing Recreational Marijuana

Date: 2/3/23 6am

Duration: 1:05

Ron Terrell

FOX23 was invited to a meeting hosted by “Yes on 820,” a group aimed at legalizing recreational marijuana in Oklahoma. During the meeting, advocates say legalized marijuana could bring additional tax revenue to the state, which in turn could benefit education and roads. If recreational marijuana is legalized, it would be taxed at 15%. However, those against legalization say there are already too many issues and concerns surrounding medicinal marijuana and will attract more crime. The election is scheduled in March.

Work Begins on Creek Turnpike, South Memorial Interchange Project

Date: 2/6/23 10pm

Duration: 2:15

Spencer Humphrey

Crews have begun work on a project that will overhaul the busy interchange at the Creek Turnpike and South Memorial in Tulsa. The new interchange will be called a Diverging Diamond, where drivers will “crisscross” between the left and right lanes, making it easier to make a left or right turn once you exit the highway. The project is expected to be completed in Spring 2024.

Tulsa’s 911 Dispatch Center Reports Shortage in Employees

Date: 3/2/23 5am

Duration: 1:45

Jannah James

The Tulsa Public Safety Communications Administration says its 911 Dispatch Center is facing an operator shortage, which impacts thousands of Tulsans. When the center is fully staffed, there are 92 operators. Currently, there are 78. To help recruit new employees, supervisors have reduced the recruitment time and raised pay.

Drivers Share Concerns About New Speed Limit on Rogers County Highway

Date: 3/6/23 5am

Duration: 2:15

Spencer Humphrey

Drivers are confused about the speed limit for a new stretch of Highway 20 in Rogers County. The speed limit between Owasso and Claremore is 45 miles per hour. However, drivers say it was 55 before the construction, and it has not been raised following the completion of the construction project. ODOT

officials say the speed limit was not raised because of the road's design, which includes gutters and curbs.

Oklahoma Voters Say No to Legalizing Recreational Marijuana

Date: 3/7/23 9pm

Duration: 1:30

Shae Rozzi

Oklahoma voters have said no to SQ820, which would have legalized recreational marijuana. 61% of voters said no in the special election. Those against SQ820 praised the results, saying it could have raised crime rates across the state. Those who fought for legalized marijuana say they will continue their fight.

KOKI Local News of Public Interest:

Crime

Tulsa Police Investigate First Homicide of 2023

Date: 1/3/23 6am

Duration: 2:15

Spencer Humphrey

Investigators with the Tulsa Police Department are investigating the first homicide of 2023. A man was shot and killed in north Tulsa near 46th Street, and a suspect is in custody. The suspect was also injured during the incident.

FOX23 Investigates Cases of Odometer Fraud, Crimes in Tulsa

Date: 1/6/22 5am

Duration: 3:25

Janna Clark

FOX23 Investigative reporter Janna Clark studies rising cases of odometer fraud. Because odometers are now digital, it is easier for thieves to roll back the odometer and sell a car for more than it's worth. One woman told Clark that she bought a minivan and didn't realize that the odometer was rolled back 10,000 miles. The difference can cost shoppers thousands of dollars.

Teenager Faces Charges After Making Threats Against a Bartlesville School

Date: 1/10/23 9pm

Duration: 1:40

Alex Cash

A 14-year-old boy is facing charges after police say he made threats against students at Central Middle School in Bartlesville. Some students received multiple threats via text messages and social media. The student was arrested after several days of investigation and has been charged with making a terroristic hoax.

Tulsa Police, Federal Agents Search for Tulsa Man Wanted for Sex Crimes Against Children

Date: 2/2/23 9pm

Duration: 2:45

Sara Whaley

Local and federal investigators continue to search for Jimmy McGlothlin. McGlothlin is wanted for more than a dozen sex crimes against children. A warrant for McGlothlin's arrest was issued in December, but he has not yet been found. McGlothlin is described as a white man, 5'3, weighs 140 pounds, and has poor hygiene.

Charges Filed Against Man Accused of a Double Murder in Tulsa

Date: 2/6/23 9pm

Duration: 2:20

Abigail Dye

First-degree murder charges have been filed against a man accused of brutally killing two people in Tulsa. However, he is not yet in custody. Investigators are looking for Rodney Williams, also known as lucky, for the murders of Tiffany Culkins Sheets and Harry Leroy McElfresh. It is believed that another man, Roger Jackson, Junior, helped Williams with the murders. He is already in custody.

Broken Arrow Police Arrest Second Teenager Accused of Murdering a 16-year-old

Date: 2/8/23 5am

Duration: 1:45

Jannah James

Broken Arrow Police have arrested a second teenager in connection to the murder of 16-year-old Dacari Green. Green was shot and killed outside of a home near S. 145th Avenue and E. 51st Street South in January. So far, 15-year-old Ky'leigh Shaw and 15-year-old Ja'Cori Whitmore have been arrested and police are expecting more arrests in the coming weeks.

New Video Shows Suspect Involved in Fatal Officer-Involved Shooting in Tulsa

Date: 3/2/23 5am

Duration: 2:15

Julia Gorman

Surveillance footage shows the moments leading up to a fatal officer-involved shooting in Tulsa. Officers were responded to a burglary call at a home near the University of Tulsa. The video shows the suspect running away and officers saying, "he has a sawed-off shotgun." Officers say the suspect fired at them, so they returned fire. The investigation continues.

Tulsa Woman Accused of Having Sexual Relationship with Teenager

Date: 3/7/23 9pm

Duration: 2:00

Abigail Dye

A Tulsa woman has been arrested and accused of having a sexual relationship with a 14-year-old boy. Investigators say the woman met the child while working as a volunteer at an early education program. The victim's mom called police when she found disturbing messages between her son and Carol Russell. Russell has been charged with multiple counts, including lewd molestation.

Report Shows Rise of White Supremacist Incidents in Oklahoma

Date: 3/14/23 5pm

Duration: 2:00

Rick Maranon

A new report from the Anti-Defamation League shows a rise in white supremacist incidents in Oklahoma. Incidents have also jumped across the U.S., with more than 6,750 recorded incidents in 2021. In Oklahoma, the rate increased by 164%. An incident includes distribution of flyers, graffiti, or in-person meetings.

KOKI Local News of Public Interest:

Health

Grand Mental Health Opens New Facility in Jay, Oklahoma

Date: 1/4/23 5am

Duration: :25

Michelle Linn

Grand Mental Health is opening a new facility in Delaware County. The facility, which is in Jay, will reach a smaller, more rural community. To celebrate the grand opening, Grand Mental Health is hosting an open house to show locals the facility and services available.

Oklahomans with Alzheimer's Could be Impacted by New Drug Approved by FDA

Date: 1/9/23 5pm

Duration: 1:45

Jannah James

The FDA has approved a new medication aimed at treating people with Alzheimer's. The Alzheimer's Association in Tulsa believes the drug, which especially helps those in the early stages of the disease, could benefit millions of people. The drug works to slow down the disease's progress. However, the drug is only available to those who will pay for it out of pocket. Right now, it does not qualify for insurance.

Medical Experts Explore Growing Obesity Rates Among Children in Oklahoma

Date: 1/13/22 9pm

Duration: :50

Shae Rozzi

Reports show that 1 in 5 children in Oklahoma suffer from obesity, and pediatricians are studying how to intervene and treat the condition. Dr. Ashley Weeden at OU Medical Center says treatment will not just include diet and exercise, but also factor in the effects of their environment and genetics to find the best treatment plan for each child.

Child Psychologists Say Social Media Apps Can Harm Children and Teenagers

Date: 2/1/23 5pm

Duration: :40

Nathan Thompson

FOX23 spoke with Dr. David Nathan about the rise of social media apps and its impact on children. Dr. Nathan said that apps are designed to put users in uncomfortable situations, which is not a positive

environment for a child or teenager. A new study found that screen time with infants could impair their academic achieve

CDC Study Shows 60% Jump in Girls Considering Suicide

Date: 2/13/23 5pm

Duration: :35

Shae Rozzi

A disturbing report from the Centers for Disease Control shows that one in three young girls considered attempting suicide in 2021. That is a nearly 60% jump compared to 2020. Teenaged girls testified before members of Congress to show the severity of the problem.

New Data Shows Fewer Fentanyl Deaths in U.S., More Synthetic Opioids Discovered

Date: 2/15/23 9pm

Duration: 2:05

Sara Whaley

The Centers for Disease Control has released new data that shows that overdose deaths in the U.S. slightly dropped within the past six months. Despite this, agents with the Drug Enforcement Administration are reporting an increase of opioids and fentanyl arriving from China and Mexico. Because of this, the U.S. is ramping up efforts to keep drugs from flowing into the country.

Proposed Bill Would Guarantee Paid Maternity Leave for Oklahoma State Employees

Date: 3/9/23 10pm

Duration: :35

Sara Whaley

Oklahoma State Senators have passed Senate Bill 193, which would provide six weeks of paid maternity leave to Oklahoma state employees. The leave would also cover adoptions. To qualify for the leave, the mother would have to be employed by the state for at least two years. The bill now moves to the Oklahoma House.

Study Describes Importance of Getting Good Sleep While Springing Forward for Daylight Savings

Date: 3/10/23 5pm

Duration: 1:40

Sara Whaley

Medical experts say that springing forward and gaining an hour can damage your sleep pattern. It is suggested to prepare for the time change ahead of time, like adjusting your bedtime maintaining a strict sleep schedule, avoid napping, and avoid using a smartphone an hour before bedtime.

Alzheimer's Cases Continue to Rise in Oklahoma, according to Alzheimer's Association

Date: 3/15/22 6am

Duration: 1:45

Scott Martin

A new report from the Alzheimer's Association shows an increase of Alzheimer's diagnosis' in Oklahoma. Experts believe that 76,000 Oklahomans older than 65 will develop the disease. The report also highlighted the need for caregivers, help with treatment, and financial assistance.

KOKI-TV Community Event Participation and Support — 1st Quarter 2023

Station Involvement and Sponsorship of Community Events

American Heart Association Heart Month – FOX23 supported the American Heart Association’s public messaging campaign in February 2023. Our TV stations produced a PSA featuring FOX23 News anchors Shae Rozzi and Sara Whaley, encouraging viewers to learn “hands-only” CPR. FOX23 aired the PSA a total of 57 times during the month.

Tulsa MLK Day Parade – Six members of the FOX23 News team (both on-air talent and other staff) walked in the parade on January 16, 2023, to honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and to support this year’s theme: “We are stronger when working together.” Thousands of Tulsans attended the parade as spectators.

Our Blood Institute (OBI) blood drive – FOX23 sponsored a post-Spring Break blood drive with OBI in the parking lot of our television station, on March 20, 2023. FOX23 News aired several mentions in newscasts leading up to the blood drive to encourage community participation.

Individual Community Appearances

Michelle Linn, FOX23 News Morning Anchor

- 2/18/23 — Special Olympics Polar Plunge. Emceed this annual event benefitting Special Olympics of Oklahoma. 2 hours for 250 people.
- 3/28/23 — Catalayah Elementary School in Claremore. 1st Grade class visit to read a story, work on students’ writing and storytelling skills, and share information about a news anchor’s job duties with the class. 2 hours for 27 students.

Ron Terrell, FOX23 News Morning Anchor

- 1/16/23 — Tulsa MLK Day Parade. Walked in the parade with a group of FOX23 News employees and greeted spectators. 1.5 hours for thousands of people.
- 2/18/23 — Special Olympics Polar Plunge. Emceed this annual event benefitting Special Olympics of Oklahoma. 2 hours for 250 people.

Shae Rozzi, FOX23 News Evening Anchor

- 1/3/23 — Salvation Army Women’s Auxiliary Meeting. Represented FOX23 as a member of the auxiliary. Discussed the success of the organization’s Christmas Luncheon and Fashion Show Fundraiser, Angel Tree Program, and Red Kettle Bell Ringing, as well as an upcoming membership event. 2 hours with 60 people.
- 1/16/23 — Tulsa MLK Day Parade. Walked in the parade with a group of FOX23 News employees and greeted spectators. 1.5 hours for thousands of people.

- 2/14/23 — Salvation Army Women’s Auxiliary Meeting. Represented FOX23 as a member of the auxiliary. Discussed upcoming fundraising events and the needs the organization can meet with money raised over the last year. 2 hours with 85 people.
- 2/25/23 — Pennies for Pearls Music Trivia. Represented FOX23 as a celebrity judge at a music trivia fundraising event for the American Parkinson’s Disease Oklahoma Chapter. 3.5 hours for 150-200 people.
- 3/2/23 — Supply Chain and Logistics Conference. Represented FOX23 as the emcee of this conference, introducing speakers and talking about news coverage in our community involving supply chain, logistics, challenges and changes in the economy, and partnerships for future success. 4.5 hours for 150-200 people.
- 3/8/23 — Rogers County Leadership. Represented FOX23 and talked with community and business leaders in a leadership program about how to get news coverage for their events, business growth, and development. 30 minutes for 25 people.
- 3/9/23 — Tulsa Home & Garden Show. Represented FOX23 as a celebrity judge, judging booths at the show. 1.5 hours for thousands of people.

Nathan Thompson, FOX23 News Sports Director

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Jennah James, FOX23 News Reporter

- 2/9/23 — Soul Sisters Networking Luncheon. Spoke during the luncheon to a group of professional, influential businesswomen in the community who wanted to hear about the process of a news day and about her professional background. 2 hours for 25 people.