

KHAZ Q1 Issues and Programming List

Jan. 1 – March. 31, 2023

Issue	Program	Description	Guest	Date	Time	Length
Legislature preview	Sunday Sessions	Conservatives kept their vice grip on the Kansas Legislature	Lysen	Jan. 8	6:46	4:44
Drought	Sunday Sessions	Farming while preserving water	Condos	Jan. 15	6:46	5:01
Long Covid	Sunday Sessions	Clinics designed to treat the often-baffling aftereffects of COVID-19 have formed across the country.	Horton	Jan. 22	6:46	4:41
Foster Care	Sunday Sessions	There are two known cases of Kansas foster children running away and dying in the last year.	Mesa	Jan. 29	6:46	4:49
Winter Weather	Sunday Sessions	Rain. Sleet. Snow. Oh my! Winter is here	Figge	Feb. 5	6:46	3:26
Special education	Sunday Sessions	A Kansas school district has been ordered to pay a family nearly a quarter-million dollars for private school tuition	Perez	Feb. 12	6:46	4:42
Pregnancy centers	Sunday Sessions	Some legislators want to provide taxpayer money to crisis pregnancy centers	Conlon	Feb. 19	6:46	7:38
Rural population	Sunday Sessions	Keeping kids in WK with rodeo	Condos	Mar.5	6:46	4:50
Healthy activity	Sunday Sessions	Walk KS gets underway this month	Jackson	Mar.19	6:46	3:56

Child care – The Child Care Task for of Ellis County is accepting letters of intent for up to \$2 million in state grant funds.

STEM Education – Fort Hays State’s Science and Mathematics Education Institute is hosting a variety of summer camps once again this summer for youth in grades 2 through 8.

College enrollment – Fewer high school students in Kansas are choosing to go to college, and that worries the folks who oversee the state’s higher education system.

Farm safety – Tractor farm safety courses will soon be offered by area K-State Extension district offices.

Education Funding – The Kansas House approved an education budget plan Thursday that funds public schools without increasing special education spending next year.

Military Friendly School – – For the 16th consecutive year, Fort Hays State has been recognized as a Military Friendly School.

Ogallala Aquifer – The Ogallala Aquifer declined by an average of nearly two feet across western and central Kansas this past year.

Water Day Fun Fest – Even though it’s spring break, the annual World Water Day Fun Fest in Hays was a fun learning experience for youngsters and adults alike.

Expand Medicaid Rally – Advocates — including Governor Laura Kelly — gathered at the Kansas Statehouse Wednesday to push lawmakers to expand Medicaid.

Healthcare – Lifetime Dental Care of Hays once again took part in the annual American Dental Association’s Give Kids A Smile program.

Ogallala Aquifer – A new survey from Kansas State shows that most farmers in western Kansas want to save the dwindling Ogallala Aquifer.

Tornado drill – The City of Hays and Ellis County will mark the statewide tornado drill with an exercise in the city of Hays today.

Wildfire season – It looks like Kansas could have an average to more severe wildfire season this spring

United Way – The United Way of Ellis County ended its campaign just under its goal

College Scholarships – Fort Hays State University announced this week the opportunity to award an extra \$5 million in scholarships to students in exceptional financial need through a new grant match.

Developmental Services of Northwest Kansas – Dancing Together, a special recital that will showcase DSNWK clients and Styles Dance Centre students, will be at 5:30 p.m. Sunday.

Crime - The last six homicides in Hays were linked to domestic violence. The Hays Police Department and Options Domestic and Sexual Violence Services are teaming up to try to help victims of domestic violence get help before it's too late.

Public Safety – The Russell fire department recently received more than \$11,500 in grant money to purchase 26 life safety systems.

Youth Mental Health – A new youth mental health center in Hays will start accepting patients next month.

County child care – The number of child care spots needed for Ellis County to reach capacity has improved.

Drought – Record-setting drought in 2022 transformed parts of western Kansas into a temporary desert.