



NEW DOCENT TRAINING SCHEDULE 2018 *TENTATIVE*

Spring training:

- February 27th** - Orientation to the Konza Prairie Docent Program
Overview of Konza Prairie Biological Station
- February 28th** - Tour of Konza Prairie
- March 1st** - Role of fire in prairie management
- March 2nd** - Role of bison in prairie management - Bison Loop tour
- March 6th** - Role of climate on the ecology of the prairie
Climate change – tour of the RaMPs and CEE sites
- March 7th** - Geology of the Flint Hills
- March 8th** - Interpretation – sharing ecological information with a tour group.
Hike the Nature Trail
- March 9th** - Schoolyard Long-Term Ecological Research – SLTER overview
Hulbert Plot

SPRING and SUMMER:

Spring: Assimilation into active docenting! Now you can spread your wings by sharing a group with an experienced docent and, as your confidence gains, go solo! Dates will be arranged for observations and joint guiding with experienced docents as reservations come in.

Summer: Check the in-service calendar for docent education, social and other volunteer activities throughout the summer, such as:

- Wildflower Refresher & Spring potluck – Friday, June 1st
- Wildflower Walk (Friends of Konza Prairie) – Sunday, June 3rd

Autumn Training:

- August 21st** - Konza Experience and hike of Butterfly Hill
- August 22nd** - Stream SLTER activities – Geomorphology and Macroinvertebrate exercises
- August 23rd** - Grass identification and Grasshopper SLTER exercise
- August 24th** - Hike Godwin Hill Trail with experienced docents

Docent Graduation will be at the Friends of Konza Prairie Annual Meeting in the autumn. More information on times will be presented as we get closer to the date.