

Severe weather preparedness set in KS
(MSC News) Being prepared for the worst.

That's the reason for upcoming local training sessions, focused on the approach of the spring severe weather season.

Two will be held this week in Jackson and Atchison Counties.

The Jackson County session is slated for Tuesday evening at the Holton Senior Citizens building and the Atchison County session will take place Thursday evening in the Atchison Elementary School cafeteria.

Two others are set for next week in Nemaha and Jefferson Counties. The Nemaha County session will be Monday, February 26th at the Pioneer building in Seneca, and the Jefferson County session on Wednesday, February 28th at the high school in Meriden.

All the free training sessions, which are open to the public, will begin at 7:00 in the evening and last about 90 minutes.

A National Weather Service meteorologist will discuss various aspects of severe weather, storm spotting, and severe weather safety.

The training sessions are being held in advance of the annual Severe Weather Awareness Week in Kansas.

To be proclaimed by Governor Jeff Colyer, the week of March 5 through 9 is set aside as a time for all state residents to prepare for times of actual emergencies stemming from spring storms.

According to a news release from the Kansas Adjutant General's Office, early warning, spotter and preparedness systems are attributed to helping "to contribute to fewer lives lost and fewer injuries."

The annual statewide tornado safety drill is scheduled for 10:00 on the morning of March 6.

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