

National Parks of Kansas



Brown v. Board of Education National Historic Site

On May 17, 1954, the *Brown v. Board of Education* decision of the U.S. Supreme Court ended legally sanctioned segregation in public schools. The landmark decision opened the way for other legal challenges against segregation and for the Civil Rights Movement.



Fort Larned National Historic Site



Fort Larned was established midway along the Santa Fe Trail in 1859 to protect the mail and travelers. With nine restored buildings, it is the best preserved Indian Wars military post on the Santa Fe Trail.

Fort Scott National Historic Site

The U.S. Army established Fort Scott in 1842 as a base along the permanent Indian frontier. The site's 20 historic structures, parade ground, and restored tallgrass prairie interpret the opening of the West, the permanent Indian frontier, the Mexican-American War, Bleeding Kansas, the Civil War and the expansion of railroads.



Nicodemus National Historic Site



Nicodemus, Kansas is the only remaining western town established by African Americans during the Reconstruction period following the Civil War. It represents the involvement of

African Americans in the westward expansion and settlement of the Great Plains.

Tallgrass Prairie National Preserve



The preserve protects and interprets a nationally significant example of the once vast tallgrass prairie ecosystem. The 10,894 acre preserve includes an 1881 historic ranch house, limestone barn and outbuildings, and one-room schoolhouse.

Brown v. Board of Education National Historic Site

Located at 1515 SE Monroe Street, Topeka, Kansas, the site is open daily, year-round from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. except closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. For more information, call (785) 354-4273 or visit www.nps.gov/brvb.

Fort Larned National Historic Site

Located six miles west of Larned, Kansas, the site is open daily, year-round from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except for special event days which may have extended hours. Closed Thanksgiving Day, Christmas, and New Year's Day. For more information, call (620) 285-6911 or visit www.nps.gov/fols.

Fort Scott National Historic Site

Located in Fort Scott, Kansas, the site is open daily, year-round, except closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. Hours of operation April 1 to October 31 are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and November 1 to March 31 are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call (620) 223-0310 or visit www.nps.gov/fosc.

Nicodemus National Historic Site

Located in Nicodemus, Kansas, the site is open daily from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., but is closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. Closures due to severe weather or staffing shortages may occur unexpectedly. Call ahead at (785) 839-4233 to confirm that the site is open and visit www.nps.gov/nico.

Tallgrass Prairie National Preserve

Located 2 miles north of the U.S. 50 and K-177 intersection west of Strong City, Kansas, the preserve is open daily, year-round from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. For more information, call (620) 273-8494 or visit www.nps.gov/tapr.