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Mine Creek Battlefield State Historic Site
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MINE CREEK BATTLEFIELD STATE HISTORIC SITE TO OFFER GUIDED TOURS OF BATTLEFIELD SATURDAYS THIS FALL

PLEASANTON, KS—The Kansas Historical Society announced that Mine Creek Battlefield State Historic Site will begin offering weekly guided tours of the battlefield starting Saturday, September 13, and taking place every Saturday from 1 – 3 p.m. through November 1. The site is located one-half mile west of the intersection of U.S. 69 and K-52, three miles south of Pleasanton. Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for students and includes the guided tour of the battlefield and admission to the exhibits located in the visitor center. Children five and under are free. The tours are sponsored by the Kansas Historical Society and the Mine Creek Battlefield Foundation, Inc.

The Battle of Mine Creek was the second largest cavalry battle in the Civil War and the largest battle in Kansas. Trained volunteers will conduct tours of the battlefield, and tours will last approximately one and a half to two hours.

“Tours of the battlefield are usually self-guided,” said site administrator Arnold Schofield. “These guided Saturday afternoon tours give visitors the opportunity to hear the story of the battle in the location where it took place and imagine themselves witnessing the action firsthand.”

Two special events are planned in conjunction with two tour dates. Saturday, October 4, kicks off General Pleasanton Days in nearby Pleasanton. The 145th anniversary of the Battle of Mine Creek is Saturday, October 25, and special programs will be held at the site along with the guided tours.

The trail is one and a half miles long with portions passing near wooded areas. Visitors are advised to wear comfortable shoes and clothing, take precautions to avoid ticks, and bring their own drinking water.

The Mine Creek Battlefield State Historic Site is one of 16 state historic sites operated by the Kansas Historical Society, a state agency. For more information, visit kshs.org/places/minecreek.

The Kansas Historical Society does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission to, access to, or operation of its programs. The Historical Society requests prior notification to accommodate individuals with special needs or disabilities.



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