Through out 1779 Native Americans attacked settlers traveling into Kentucky by both the Wilderness Road and the Ohio River.

Exact Date Unknown: The Kentucky Militia decided to take the fight to the Shawnee. They arrived in the Shawnee town of Chillicothe undetected, but a premature shot alarmed the town. The fight lasted until 10 o’clock. The settlers burned 20-40 cabins and stole 143 horses. The Shawnee outnumbered the settlers. They deployed a flanking movement that would have destroyed the settlers. The settlers were forced to retreat. The Shawnee pursued them for ten miles. While the Shawnee were able to drive the settlers back, they suffered the loss of Chief Blackfish and Red Hawk. The settlers lost nine men.

August: Hardin’s station was attacked.

October 3: A large party of settlers coming from Virginia was attacked. Out of roughly 100 men in the party only 15-20 survived.

October 4: Licking River- A party of settlers led by David Rogers set off toward Pittsburgh carrying gun powder. A band of Natives led by Simon Girty and Matthew Elliot ambushed them, killing 42 men in Rogers’ party.

December: Brashear’s Station skirmish ended with two boys taken prisoner by the natives with one man and one boy killed.