

SALMON BROOK ECOLOGY CENTER

History

- Completed in 2004 and was the inaugural project of the newly founded Granby Education Foundation.
- Built primarily by volunteers.
- Spearheaded by former 7th grade teacher Bruce Boehm as a way to hook students into education.
- Allows students to experience real world learning as they care for the fish and plants.
- Mr. Boehm retired in 2006 and was run by Mrs. Sue Alender until she retired last Spring and is now run by Mrs. Ann Buckley who has been her assistant since 2006.

DAY TO DAY ACTIVITIES

September

- Fill the tanks and balance water chemistry
- Seed tanks with bacteria and allow bacteria to establish themselves

October

- DEEP delivers fish

October - May

- Before School Daily - Vacuum tanks and feed fish (if classes not going out)
- Classes visit Eco Center - weekly/biweekly - feeding and lessons
- Weekly - Scrub 1 of 3 tanks, sump or holding tank (Fish Kids)
- Bi-Weekly - Backwash

December

- Set up nursery

January

- Eggs arrive and hatch by the end of the month.

Early March

- Move fry to large tank - start feeding

April after Spring Break

- 7th grade classes release fry into Salmon Brook

Late April/Early May

- Fish club releases salmon with DEEP
- Drain and clean and close down Eco Center

