



Tentative Site Sampling Schedule 2024-2025

A tentative schedule of sampling weeks is listed below. These are weeks to strive for, but we realize that it's probably optimistic to think that everyone will be able to be in sync with this schedule. Our goal is to obtain a sample every month for each site, with some weeks omitted in the winter months when the waterways freeze.

Week of Monday	August 26, September 2 or 9 or 16 = Invite Creek Connections staff to give Interactive Introduction to Creek Connections. Have your students complete the BEFORE survey .
Week of Monday	September 2 or 9 or 16 or 23 (whenever is best to begin for you) – SAMPLE
SPECIAL EVENTS	September 7 French Creek Valley Conservancy French Creek Cleanup Register on-line at https://www.frenchcreekconservancy.org/french-creek-cleanup/ LOTS of prizes! Prizes specific to schools!
SPECIAL EVENT	September 14 = ALCOSAN Open House. http://www.alcosan.org/
Week of Monday	September 23– SAMPLE
Week of Monday	October 14 – SAMPLE Make sure research projects are in progress and fieldwork is being completed.
Week of Monday	November 11 – SAMPLE
Week of Monday	December 2– SAMPLE (can do testing in the classroom if weather is poor)
Week of Monday	January 13– SAMPLE (can do testing in the classroom if weather is poor)
Week of Monday	February 10 – SAMPLE (can do testing in the classroom if weather is poor)
DEADLINE	March 1 – Deadline to submit equipment orders to Wendy

RESEARCH EVENT	Make sure students prepare displays / presentations for Symposium – Creek Connections staff can give symposium prep presentations and help brainstorm project ideas.
SPECIAL EVENT	<u>March 10-12 Pennsylvania Association of Environmental Educators (PAEE) Conference at Erie Bayfront Convention Center</u>
Week of Monday	March 10 – SAMPLE (or sample the last time after the Symposium)
SPECIAL EVENT	March 22 = World Water Day
SPECIAL EVENT	Friday, April 11 – Student Research Symposium at Allegheny College Friday, April 25 – Student Research Symposium at YMCA Camp Kon-O-Kwee
ADDITIONAL	April, May – Have students do peer education and/or community presentations KEEP SAMPLING IF YOU LIKE Have students complete the <u>AFTER survey</u>.
DEADLINE	May 1 – Deadline to spend money, submit equipment receipts / invoices for reimbursement, no more spending money on supplies and equipment. (Bussing and substitute invoices will continue to be accepted until June 15)
DEADLINE	Late June – Submit End of the <u>Teacher Year End Project Feedback</u>

You may continue sampling in the spring through the remainder of the school year. If you do, we can still help, and please continue to send in the data.

As soon as possible, please try to set a regular date and time of day you will be conducting field samples. This will give us the best opportunity to locate Project Assistants who can assist you. The more notice you give us for when you are going out sampling, the better chance we have of supplying assistants.