



Tentative Site Water Quality Monitoring Schedule 2025-2026

An example schedule of monitoring is listed below. Our minimal goal is to conduct water quality monitoring approximately every month for each site, with some months omitted in the winter when the waterway freezes.

Week of Monday	August 25, September 1 or 8 or 15 = Invite Creek Connections staff to give Interactive Introduction to Creek Connections. Have your students complete the BEFORE survey .
Week of Monday	September 1 or 8 or 15 or 22 (whenever is best for you to begin) - CONDUCT WATER QUALITY MONITORING
SPECIAL EVENT	September 6 French Creek Valley Conservancy French Creek Watershed Cleanup Prizes specifically for schools! Other cash prizes for participation and most unusual item
SPECIAL EVENT	September 13 = ALCOSAN Open House. http://www.alcosan.org/
Week of Monday	October 20 - CONDUCT WATER QUALITY MONITORING
Week of Monday	November 16 - CONDUCT WATER QUALITY MONITORING
Week of Monday	December 1- CONDUCT WATER QUALITY MONITORING
Week of Monday	January 12- CONDUCT WATER QUALITY MONITORING
Week of Monday	February 9 - CONDUCT WATER QUALITY MONITORING
PREPARE FOR STUDENT RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM	Make sure students prepare displays / presentations for Symposium. Creek Connections staff can give symposium prep presentation and help brainstorm project ideas.

CONFERENCE	March 8-10 Pennsylvania Association of Environmental Educators (PAEE) Conference at Wyndham Gettysburg Hotel & Conference Center
Week of Monday	March 16 - CONDUCT WATER QUALITY MONITORING
SPECIAL EVENT	March 22 = World Water Day
SYMPOSIA	Friday, April 17 - Student Research Symposium at YMCA Camp Kon-O-Kwee Friday, April 24 - Student Research Symposium at Allegheny College
ADDITIONAL	April, May - Have students do peer education and/or community presentations KEEP SAMPLING IF YOU LIKE Have students complete the AFTER survey
DEADLINE	Late June - Educators Submit End of the Year Project Evaluation

You may elect to 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.

Contact us to add in aquatic macroinvertebrate sampling when the weather and creek conditions allow.

As soon as possible, please try to set a regular date and time of day you will be conducting water quality monitoring. This will give us the best opportunity to assist you. The more notice you give us for when you are going out sampling, the better!