



Salmon STaRS 2025

November - December: Observations & Data Recording

- **Start Date:** November 1
 - **Frequency:** Once a week (afterschool or weekends)
 - **Activity:**
 - Observe salmon in the Discovery Center, record growth data, and monitor behavior.
 - Learn to identify different developmental stages.
 - Discuss water quality and tank maintenance.
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January - March: Continued Observations & Salmon Care

- **Frequency:** Once a week (afterschool or weekends)
 - **Activity:**
 - Continue weekly observations and data recording.
 - Learn about salmon feeding habits and how to care for them once their yolk sac diminishes (likely by February).
 - Begin feeding salmon and monitoring their growth patterns.
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April: Final Care & Preparation for Release

- **Frequency:** Once a week (afterschool or weekends)
 - **Activity:**
 - Continue feeding salmon and monitoring water conditions.
 - Prepare data for release planning.
 - Discuss salmon life cycles and their journey to the ocean.
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May - June: Salmon Release

- **Dates:** Flexible, depending on salmon development (May/June)
- **Activity:**
 - Students will take The Salish Sea School's vessel to Glenwood Springs Hatchery on Orcas Island.
 - Help release the salmon into the wild to begin their journey.



- Reflect on their work and the importance of salmon conservation.
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September: Adult Salmon Return

- **Date:** September (exact date TBD)
 - **Activity:**
 - Students are invited back to witness the adult salmon returning to the hatchery.
 - Celebrate the completion of the salmon's life cycle and discuss the impact of the program.
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This schedule is flexible and can adjust depending on water conditions and salmon development.