

2023-2024 Trout in the Classroom Program
in the Greater Upper Valley Chapter of Trout Unlimited & White River Partnership Service Area

The White River Partnership (WRP) partners with the Greater Upper Valley Chapter of Trout Unlimited (GUVTU) to support White River watershed teachers participating in Trout Unlimited's Trout in the Classroom (TIC) program.

Equipment and supplies costs for the first year are approximately \$1,100, and WRP and GUVTU have typically leveraged funding to cover all these costs for the initial year. The WRP will help purchase and deliver equipment and eggs, and provide some in-person staff support through the year. Trout Unlimited is the primary backer of this program in Vermont, coordinating an in-person training (November 4, 2023 at the Red Schoolhouse at VTC in Randolph Center) and some ongoing staff support throughout the year (largely via email).

Modest annual budgetary support, approximately \$100-\$125, is needed to purchase supplies each year in the future (for bacterial additives, tank chemistry test kits, filter parts replacements). We ask that the school (or fundraising on behalf of the school) commit to provide this funding going forward. The equipment (tank and blue board insulation, chiller, filter, etc) will be part of a lending library managed by the WRP, and can remain at the school as long as the school intends to participate.

For more information:

- 2023-2024 TIC program calendar: see page 2
- Training/orientation videos:
https://www.vttucouncil.org/?page_id=755
- Vermont TIC program information & resources:
https://www.vttucouncil.org/?page_id=337

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PRELIMINARY TROUT IN THE CLASSROOM CALENDAR 2023-2024

- TIC Orientation/Workshop for teachers and volunteers.....November 4, 2023
VTC Red Schoolhouse, Randolph Ctr, VT
- Order equipmentNovember, 2023
- Set up equipmentmonth of November, 2023
- Start running tank, filter, etc.....mid-November-December 1, 2023
- Eggs delivered week of January 2, 2024
- Egg/fry/tank maintenance and care January through May, 2024
- Release trout.....mid-May to early-June, 2024
- Decommission and clean tank and equipmentJune, 2024
- Submit data records and brief report on program.....June, 2024