



## Arkansas Game and Fish Commission Classroom Aquarium Project

The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission is offering an innovative educational program for your school. We would like to place a complete 55-gallon aquarium in your classroom to be used by you and your students for increasing your knowledge of the Aquatic Environment.

The Aquaria are obtained through an application process. The application should be filled out by a project manager and also signed by the school principal. A complete project description needs to be made on the application. Please use your imagination when you are designing your class project. We strongly recommend that you gather your study subjects yourself. These may be gathered at a local pond, stream or lake. A minnow seine will be provided with your aquarium for use in collecting your study subjects. Make the project one that can involve your students and be completed within the school year. Request for assistance in acquiring fish will be considered.

The application needs to be submitted by March 1<sup>st</sup> to be considered for the up coming school year. Applications received after March 1<sup>st</sup> will be held until the next school year. Applications will be approved in our office using standardized guidelines by April 1<sup>st</sup>. The district Regional Education Coordinator will notify successful applicants no later that September 1<sup>st</sup>. Delivery of the aquariums will be made by the REC's during the months of September, October, and November.

An annual reporting form will need to be filled out and returned by May 1<sup>st</sup> each year. **Failure to do so may result in the removal of the aquarium.** A project proposal for the next school year will need to be included with the annual reporting form. The project may be the same each year.

Attached to this letter is an application form. If your school does receive an aquarium it will include the following:

- 55 gallon tank with lid and lights
- Tank measurements 48 ½ inches long x 13 inches wide x 21 inches deep
- Under gravel filters
- 50# natural gravel
- LCD thermometer
- Hydro-clean vacuum
- Air pump
- 2 – Malaysian driftwood
- 2 – 20" bushy foxtail
- 25' plastic tubing
- 2 – Brass 2 – way valves
- small dip net
- Water dechlorinator & conditioner
- 10" Minnow seine

You will need to supply a table or bench that is flat and that will hold about 500 pounds. Please feel free to contact us toll free at 1-877-676-6963.





**ARKANSAS GAME AND FISH COMMISSION**  
**Classroom Aquarium Project**  
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“To conduct fish and other aquatic wildlife enhancement, education, habitat improvement, and/or research.”

**APPLICATION**  
**(Please Type or Print)**

1. Name of School \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: Daytime \_\_\_\_\_ Evening \_\_\_\_\_

2. Project Manager\* \_\_\_\_\_

3. Location Site of Aquarium \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Building or Classroom)

4. Description of Project

Please attach an additional page with a 500 – 1000 word narrative of your project.

\* The Project Manager will sign a receipt for the classroom aquarium upon delivery and will submit a project report to the Commission by May 1<sup>st</sup> (annually). Project Manager will immediately notify the Commission in writing of a change of Project Manager. The aquarium is to remain at the original school where delivered. Failure to do so could result in the removal of the aquarium.

**This aquarium shall remain the property of the Arkansas Game & Fish Commission and can not be used for anything other that the approved stated project.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Principal Approval \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Applications received after March 1<sup>st</sup> will be delivered the next school year.