

I have had the opportunity to observe students actively participating in the CT River Salmon Association's Salmon Program. It was wonderful to see the excitement in the classroom as kids were able to use magnifying glasses to get a close-up view of the spine, heart, eyes, etc., developing inside the egg. The hands-on activities that kids experience in this program are excellent. As parents came to pick up their children the kids excitedly dragged them over to see the salmon. We need more programs like this not more testing! If you decide to close the Kensington Hatchery, this fantastic program will be eliminated as well as the Trout-in-the-Classroom program sponsored by Trout Unlimited. Do you want to be responsible for ending these programs to save about \$196,000. We hope not. Save the Kensington Hatchery.

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