



PA Trout in the Classroom 20/21 Update and FAQ



Delayed Egg Shipment	Mid-to-late January / TIC egg shipment	
	<p><u>PA TIC Registration</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For This Year Only! Registration does not confirm your 20/21 egg shipment. • Online Confirmation - In November, registered participants will have the option to accept/decline an egg shipment for 20/21, via an online form that will be emailed. • NOTE: Registration is important this year - Registration ensures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Continued contact with TIC staff ○ TIC weekly newsletters (details below) ○ Important updates for this year and for the 21/22 school year! 	
TIC Remote Learning	October 5 th , 2020. Remote learning opportunities will begin for all registered TIC participants.	
	TIC Remote Learning Components	
	<p>TIC weekly newsletter will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Weekly topic, relevant to TIC ○ Links ○ Videos ○ Trout in the Office <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Weekly water quality/life stage updates 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular updates from PFBC TIC Coordinator • PFBC Trout In the Office (TIO) videos & updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Weekly water quality updates ○ Life stage videos

Frequently Asked Questions

Egg shipment	
When is egg shipment for the 20/21 school year?	Egg shipment will occur in mid-to-late January.
Am I required to raise Trout in my aquarium this year?	<p>No. Registering for 20/21 ensures that you receive regular communication from PFBC's TIC coordinator and TIC weekly newsletter.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You can choose to accept/decline egg shipment via an online form in November. • Taking a break from a live tank will not affect eligibility for the 21/22 school year.
When is the deadline to decide to accept or decline eggs for 20/21?	<p>In November, registered participants will have the option to accept/decline an egg shipment for 20/21, via an online form that will be emailed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • December 4th, 2020 - Deadline to accept/decline egg shipment. • To receive eggs in January you must confirm by this date. <u>No new egg orders will be accepted after 12/4/20.</u> • <u>If you need to cancel a shipment after this date</u> contact the PFBC TIC coordinator as soon as possible.

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Aquarium set-up	
Can I set-up a TIC tank at home?	No. All TIC aquariums must be set-up in a public location.
When should I set-up my aquarium?	It is recommended that you set-up your aquarium 4-6 weeks prior to the shipment. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• This year, aquariums should be set-up before or just after Thanksgiving break.• Note: New set-up videos can be found on PA TIC website. www.patrountotheclassroom.org
Remote learning opportunities	
Will there be remote learning materials available for the 20/21 school year?	Yes. <u>The TIC weekly newsletter will begin October 5th, 2020.</u> In addition, PFBC will be providing additional remote learning materials to help continue TIC lessons.
Potential cleaning/disinfecting impacts - protocols	
With an increase in cleaning and disinfecting classrooms, how can I best protect my fish?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cover aquarium and filter with a bedsheet. This will help protect your fish from mists and sprays.• Work with your custodians to ensure the safest environment for your fish.• More information will be provided to all registered participants.
Release day planning	
When can I conduct my release day?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Release days can occur anytime between April and June.• If needed, early releases are permitted.