

Spring Harbor Mission Statement

Spring Harbor is a small environmental-studies middle school focused on challenging all students to explore their world, empowering them to become agents of change.

Environmental Studies & Science Focus



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Intersections

- public spaces
- recreation
- land owners
- caring for the environment
- development
- land use and planning
- contested spaces
- history

Who came before us?



Little Leopolds



Checking out the stormwater drains on the R/W

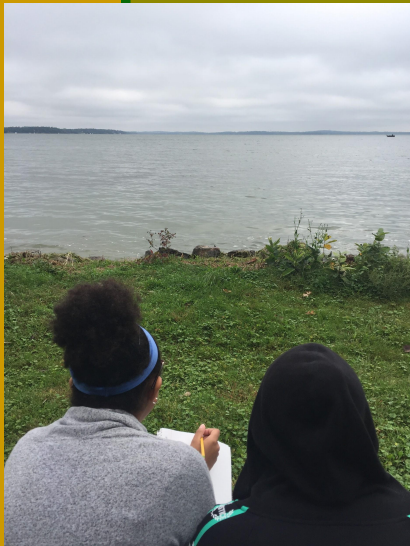


Trumpeter Swans migrate through

Looking for signs of the flood



Friends of Merrill Springs



Earth Day at Merrill Springs



Pheasant Branch



Mindfulness and wellness



Outdoor Classroom at Spring Harbor



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Environmental Monitoring

Monitoring Chloride concentrations in Harbor, Merrill Springs and SH Beach



Outdoor Learning & Field Trips

- Aldo Leopold Center**
- Black Earth Creek**
- MacKenzie Nature Center**
- Bethel Horizons**
- Governor Dodge State Park**
- Governor Nelson State Park**
- Devil's Lake State Park**
- Madison School Forest & Prairie**
- Monthly observations at Kettle Pond**
- Monthly water tests at Lake Mendota**
- Spring Harbor Gardens (1.5 acres)**

The Irwin A & Robert D Goodman Greenhouse at Spring Harbor



Grand Opening on Earth Day, April 20th, 2016

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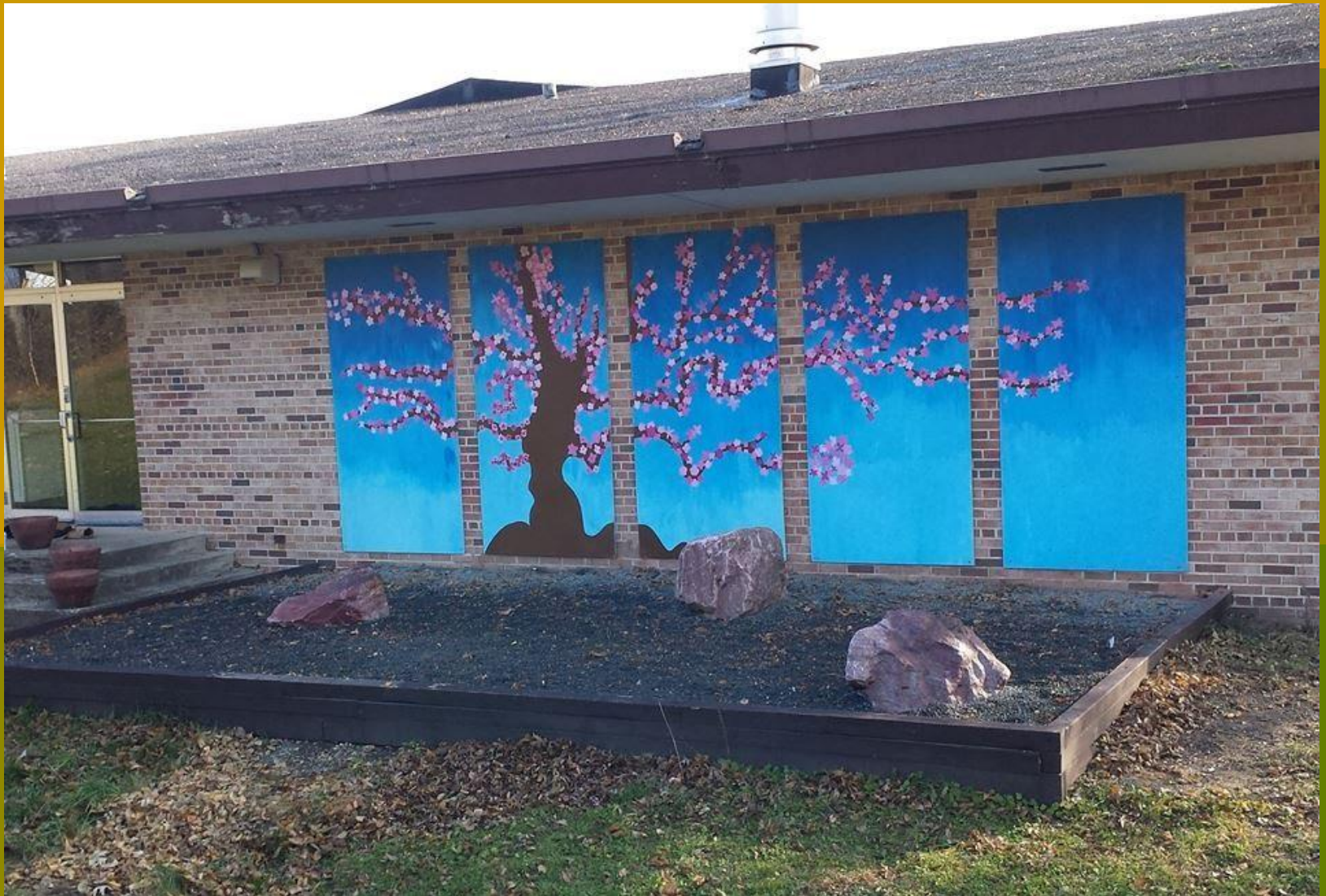
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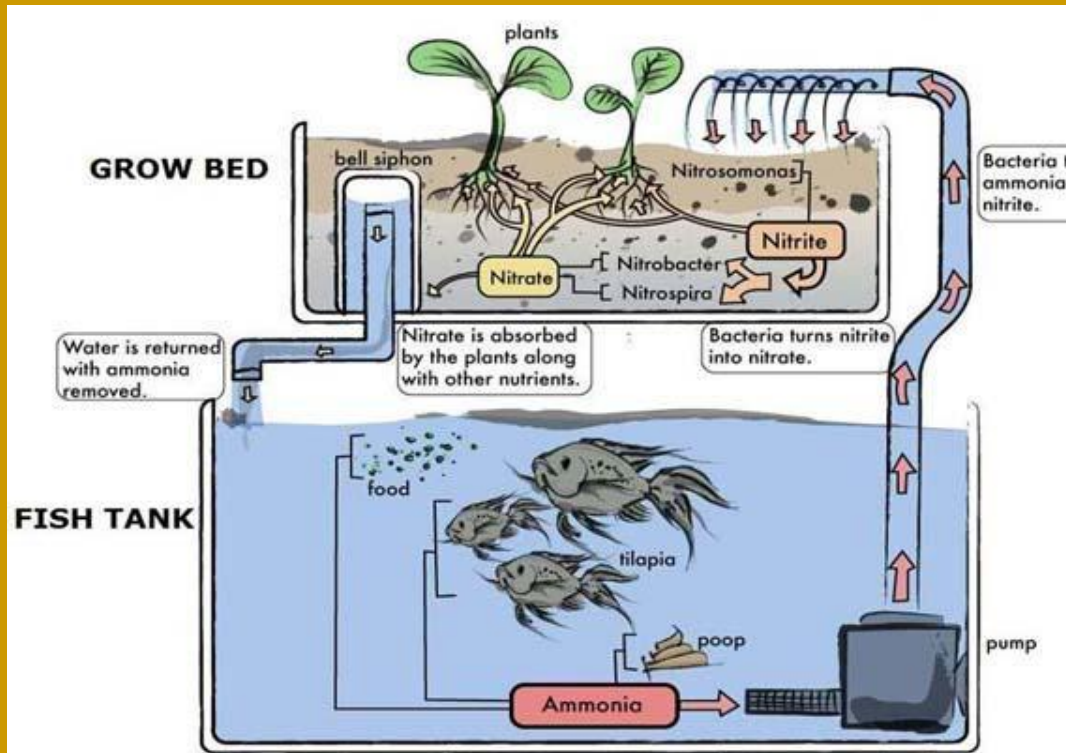
Gardening Program



Zen Garden



Future Projects



Aquaponics System



Pizza & Bread Oven

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Chicken coop



Natural climbing area

How Outdoor Spaces Impact SHMS

Students can use their “Genius Hour” time to work in the Greenhouse & Gardens

Class meets every other day.

Students research botany, agriculture, food preparation, composting, building techniques and tool use.

How Outdoor Spaces Impact SHMS

- Food & Nutrition
- Composting
- Sustainability
- Improved Access to the Outdoors
- Health & Wellness for our students and staff
- Increased opportunities for STEM activities
- Project-based learning
- Team-building
- Students have fun
- Skill building

Community Partnerships

- Friends of Pheasant Branch
- Spring Harbor Neighborhood Association
- Friends of Merrill Springs
- Indian Hills Garden Club
- Irwin A. & Robert D. Goodman Foundation
- Madison Community Foundation
- Foundation for Madison Public Schools
- City of Madison Water Utility
- Wisconsin Technical Colleges
- Wisconsin Green Schools Network
- Curbside Composter
- Community Groundworks
- Sustain Dane
- UW School of Education