

# Seven Locks Elementary School Curriculum-Enhancing Conservation Garden Landscape

Our new landscape reflects some of the native plantings in the “seven locks” segment of the C&O Canal for which the school is named. The all-volunteer parents and community members of the Seven Locks Elementary School Educational Foundation worked with the Montgomery County Master Gardener and RainScapes Programs to design an interactive garden that teaches the students about storm water management and protection of the Chesapeake Bay as well as provide wildlife habitats that will enhance students’ curricular study. Soaker hoses were installed for ease of maintenance. Interior courtyards were also improved; solving the problem of mulch clogging storm water drains as well as providing a cohesive look through the school. For more details: [www.slesef.org](http://www.slesef.org).

*Before*



*After*





