



# TUNKHANNOCK AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Michael J. Healey  
Superintendent

March 17, 2008

Dear Parents:

There are many children in our school district that have an allergy to peanuts and/or nut products. After careful consideration, the Board of Education and Administration have decided to pilot a program that will eliminate peanuts, peanut products and/or nut products from the food service operation of the district grades K-12.

This pilot program will take place during the month of April, 2008. During this time the District will not serve any product made directly or indirectly with peanuts and/or nuts.

Our cafeteria staff is very aware of the students that have self-reported their peanut and/or nut allergy. Many times however, we are unaware that a student has these types of allergies. In an effort to minimize the contact with peanuts and/or nut products we believe a pilot program is in the best interest of the students.

We would ask that you recognize that we will not be serving any peanut butter, peanut butter cookies and/or any product made with nuts. We also ask that you discuss peanut allergies with your children so that they are aware if they bring these products to school in a bag lunch they should be very careful while eating them so as not to affect a student that may have an allergy.

After the pilot month has expired we will report our observations and findings to the Cafeteria Committee of the Board of Education. A final determination will be made at that time, as to whether or not the Tunkhannock Area School District will become a peanut/nut free food service operation.

We thank you for your understanding and cooperation with this pilot program.

Very truly yours,

Michael J. Healey  
Superintendent of Schools

Jackie Shaver  
Director of Food Service

T  
I  
G  
E  
R  
S