



Dear Tamaqua School District Families,

We wish to inform you of food supply chain issues that are accruing nationally and are impacting your child's school meal. Throughout the pandemic, food manufacturers and distributors have had to continually shift their product development, packaging, and distribution to adjust to supply shortages and the continually changing needs of individuals and industry. In addition, the food manufacturing and distributing industry is facing many of the same challenges other industries are facing, including staffing and labor shortages, and rising costs of materials and transportation.

As a result, The Nutrition Group has decided to move from publishing monthly menus to weekly. With this flexibility, we hope to minimize menu changes and give us the ability to make edits based on weekly product availability. Our recommendation would be to view menus real time through the district website or on the Nutrislice App. This is also where you will see updates as we move through this process.

In addition, at the elementary level, there will be days when Tamaqua and West Penn Elementaries may be serving different choices. These days will be clearly indicated on the menu as they occur. Teachers will continue to be notified of any additional menu changes daily, allowing students to make their selections accordingly. Please rest assured that we are continually doing everything we can to alleviate issues during these unprecedented times.

As always, our goal is to provide high-quality, nutritious, healthy, and well-balanced meals to all students. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me with any questions, concerns, or feedback.

Sincerely,
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