The Story of Stone Soup

- Start with Water and a Stone (button, shell, etc.)
- Give a Suggestion for How to Make it Better (Carrots, Meat, Onions, etc.)
- Nothing is Directly Requested except Pot, Water & Stone
- People Start Volunteering Ingredients
- Produce a Delicious Product
Stone Soup Lessons

• Individuals Tend to Worry More About Themselves than the Community
• Everyone in the Community Provides Something
• All Come Together in the End to Enjoy the Final Product
• The Sum of the Parts is Always Greater than the Parts Themselves
Stone Soup Lessons

• They Always Learn How to Help Each Other
• If You Plant a Seed (Idea) it will Yield Results
• “Nobody was Giving Anything Away, but Everyone Likes Something for Nothing”

» From Kallaloo, A Caribbean Tale
   By Davis & Phillis Gershator (2005)
2011 HS Grads – Anticipated Majors

- Nursing
- Health Sciences
- Physical Therapy
- Nutrition
- Forensics
- Animal Sciences
- Environmental Science
- Homeland Security
- Public Health

- Engineering
- Business/Economics
- English
- Psychology
- Pre-Med
- Biology
- Communications
- International Relations
- Computer Science
Stone Soup & Public Health

• We Have a “Stone”
  – We Have Many Quality, Proven Activities
• We Have the “Water”
  – New Found Relationships
  – Collaboration
  – Look and Work Toward Our Future
• We Have a “Pot”
  – Governmental Public Health Partnerships
• To Reach OUR Final Product…
What Can You Bring to the Recipe?

- We Need the Rest of the Ingredients…
- Who Will Be Responsible for Keeping the Fire Going?
- Who Will Volunteer Other Ingredients?
- Who Will Be Responsible for Adding the Ingredients to the Pot?
- Who Will Watch Over the Pot?
- What Will Be Our Product?
- A Healthier New Jersey