Module

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Tour de Health and Nutrition Facts

Eat Well & Keep Moving

Agenda

- Getting acquainted while learning about the Principles of Healthy Living
- Nutrition tools for consumers
- The healthiest food choices from the five food groups and the Kid's Healthy Eating Plate
- Tour de Health game

Eat Well & Keep Moving Health Goals: The Principles of Healthy Living

- Make the switch from sugary drinks to water.
- Choose colorful fruits and vegetables instead of junk food.
- Choose whole-grain foods and limit foods with added sugar.
- Choose foods with healthy fat, limit foods high in saturated fat, and avoid foods with trans fat.
- Eat a nutritious breakfast every morning.
- Be physically active every day for at least an hour.
- Limit TV and other recreational screen time to 2 hours or less per day.
- Get enough sleep to give the brain and body the rest they need.

















Health Promotion Through Healthy Eating and Active Living

- Food choices can affect our health positively or negatively.
- Our challenge is to provide nutritious and tasty foods to students so they can make healthy food choices.
- Our obligation is to offer the best food choices.

Nutrition Tools for Consumers

Dietary Guidelines for Americans

- Nutrition and physical activity advice for healthy Americans aged 2 and up
- Basis for school meals and National School Lunch Program

Nutrition Facts

- Food label
- Provides nutrition information on individual foods

The Five Basic Food Groups

- Vegetables
- Fruits
- Grains
- Protein
- Dairy

Kid's Healthy Eating Plate



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Choose Colorful Fruits and Vegetables Instead of Junk Food

- Fruits and vegetables provide vitamins, minerals, and carbohydrate.
- Choose fruits and vegetables in a rainbow of colors (choose especially dark-green and orange vegetables).
- Getting 5 or more servings each day can reduce the risk of diabetes, heart disease, obesity, and possibly some cancers.

Fruits

- Good source of vitamins A and C and potassium.
- Whole and sliced fruits have more fiber than juice and are better choices.
- One serving = 1 medium apple, banana, or orange; 1/2 cup chopped or cooked fruit; 1/4 cup of dried fruit, like raisins.
- Limit fruit juice to no more than 4-6 ounces per day.

Vegetables

- Good source of vitamins A and C, folate, iron, and magnesium
- High in fiber
- Choose a rainbow of colors, especially dark green and deep orange
- One serving = 1/2 cup cooked vegetables, 1 cup of leafy salad greens

Grains: Get Whole Grains and Sack the Sugar!

- Grains contain carbohydrate, fiber, and some vitamins and minerals.
- Whole grains are the healthiest choices.
- Choose foods that list a whole grain as the first ingredient, and watch out for added sugar in the ingredients list.
- Examples of whole-grain foods include 100% whole-wheat bread and pasta, steelcut oatmeal, whole-grain crackers and breakfast cereals, barley, brown rice, and quinoa.

Protein

 Contain protein, B vitamins, and minerals responsible for functions like building and repairing muscles and tissue.

 Choose healthy sources of protein, including nuts, seeds, beans, and peas, as well as fish, poultry, and vegetarian alternatives.

Dairy

- Dairy foods are needed in lower proportions than foods from the other groups
- Good source of calcium; also contains protein, riboflavin, and vitamins A and D
- Promotes strong bones and healthy teeth
- Choose unflavored milk, plain yogurt, or unsweetened dairy foods
- Those who cannot consume dairy can choose lactose-free milk or calcium-fortified nondairy alternatives such as unflavored and unsweetened rice milk or soy milk

Combination and Processed Foods

 Combination foods contain foods from more than one food group.

 Processed foods are prepared and packaged by manufacturers.

A Balanced Diet

- No single food supplies all needed nutrients.
- Choose a variety of foods from each group.
- Follow these guidelines to make the best choices:
 - Choose colorful fruits and vegetables instead of junk food.
 - Choose whole-grain foods and limit foods with added sugar.
 - Make the switch from sugary drinks to water.
 - Choose foods with healthy fat, limit foods high in saturated fat, and avoid foods with trans fat.

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Questions?