

Healthy Family Goals – Family Activities for Healthy Eating and Being Active

Materials and Ingredients

- ✓ Paper & markers/crayons for "Healthy Me" drawings
- Available fruit & veggies (fresh, frozen or canned) <u>Example:</u> *Fruit:* pineapple, mandarin oranges, apples *Veggies:* beans, peas, cucumbers, broccoli, celery

Getting Ready

- ✓ Plan for a fun snack time activity
- Choose a couple of fruits & veggies that you know your kids like and one that you can encourage them to try
- ✓ Wash & cut-up pieces of fruits & veggies for kids to serve themselves
- <u>Tip:</u> Plan for kids to only use one or two pieces of each food so they will eat all or most of what they create

Family Fun Activities

- ✓ **Get Moving!** Start off with our brain boost challenge (see next page)
- Watch & Learn! Check out this short video about vitamins & minerals https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kteZneJm1El
- Healthy Goals! Set some healthy goals with your family (see "My Wildly Important Goals" family letter)
 - Eat Fruits & Vegetables & Be Active
 - Drink Water instead of sugary drinks
- ✓ Draw! Make "Healthy Me" pictures (see next page for ideas)

Eat Healthy Together

- ✓ Start by washing your hands with soap and warm water.
- Watch & Learn! Check out this video on germs and handwashing: <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/1KoEJA1d0jEgBr7fn_jHRf2vND_-anzGH/view?usp=sharing</u>
- ✓ Use fruits & veggies to make a face, animal, bug, etc.
- ✓ Encourage your kids to try new fruits & veggies. One taste is a great start!
- ✓ Eat your art with gusto!
- Work toward your healthy family goals together by tracking your progress. (see tracking sheet)



When kids help in the kitchen – washing, chopping, mixing- they are more likely to eat what they helped prepare.









Move Your Body! Let's get our hearts pumping!

Brain Boost challenge

- ♥ Can you do 50 or even 100 jumping jacks in 2 minutes?
- ♥ How many times can you hop on each foot in one minute?
- ♥ Can you jump up really high 50 times?

<u>"Healthy Me" Drawings!</u>

Draw "Healthy Me" pictures as a family

- ♥ favorite fruits and vegetables
- growing fruits and vegetables in the garden
- ♥ eating healthy foods together as a family
- favorite ways to be active





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Dear Family,

Let's set some healthy family goals and think of different ways to reach them. You can put a check by the best ways to reach them or think up new ways.

<u>Parent Tip</u>: Be a healthy role model for your kids. If they see you working at being healthy, they will want to join you!

✓ <u>My Wildly Important Goals for Health</u>

Fruits and Vegetables

We will eat fruits and vegetables every day by:

- □ Helping in the kitchen to make healthy recipes
- □ Eating a fruit and a vegetable every day
- □ Making half my plate fruits and vegetables
- □ Adding vegetables to my sandwiches
- □ Adding fruit to my cereal
- Write your own!_____

Being Active

We will be active every day by:

- □ Dancing to our favorite song together
- Doing jumping jacks while watching TV
- □ Playing dodge ball with socks
- □ Making a plan to be active
- Write your own!_____

Drinking Water instead of Sugary Drinks

We will drink water every day by:

- □ Drinking a glass of water with every meal
- □ <u>Limiting</u> sugary drinks
- Drinking water instead of sports drinks after being active
- □ Drinking water instead of soda at home
- Adding lemon or oranges to flavor my water

Write your own!_____





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Tracking My Wildly Important Goals

- 1. Give yourselfs 1 point for every day you reach your goal.
- 2. Count up all the points at the end of 4 weeks and celebrate a healthy you!

My Wildly Important Goals:

- □ We will eat fruit every day.
- □ We will eat vegetables every day.
- $\hfill\square$ We will be active for 60 minutes every day.
- □ We will drink water instead of sugary drinks every day.



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Signature ____

Congratulations on your work to reach your healthy goals

