

Did you know?

- \Rightarrow About 6-8% of kids are affected by a food allergy.
- ⇒ 20% of children are following some type of restricted diet.
- ⇒ Blue, purple and deep-red fruits and vegetables keep the heart healthy and the brain functioning.
- ⇒ 100% fruit juices should be limited to ½ cup per day because of the sugar content.
- \Rightarrow Children should have 5-7 cups of water per day.
- ⇒ All babies and children from birth to 18 years need a 400IU vitamin D supplement everyday.
- ⇒ Seniors are at greater risk of dehydration because our ability to feel thirst declines as we age.
- ⇒ Canada's food guide recommends that adults participate in at least 2 1/2 hours of moderate to vigorous physical activity each week.
- ⇒ Families who have meals together tend to eat healthier & enjoy their food more.
- ⇒ Family meal time is also a chance for parents to model healthy eating behaviours to their children.



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No body is perfect

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Body image is the way we see and feel about our body. A healthy body image happens when we feel comfortable with ourselves and the way we look. Having a healthy body image is important because it impacts our self-esteem and overall well-being.

Healthy eating helps us look good and feel good both inside and out, and when we feel good about ourselves it boosts our self-esteem and improves our body image.

Healthy eating is a key to having a healthy body image.

- \Rightarrow Nutritional requirements in children are high because of growth demands at their age.
- $\Rightarrow~$ Children are very physically active and therefore need good nutrition.
- \Rightarrow Healthy food supports the best physical, cognitive, and social growth and development.

Poor nutrition can lead to...

- \Rightarrow obesity
- $\Rightarrow \ \ \text{cardiovascular disease}$
- $\Rightarrow \ \ diabetes$
- \Rightarrow and other aliments.

Evidence says that peoples' diets may improve if they are taught how to make fast and healthy meals.

Some snack ideas for on the go...

- \Rightarrow Fresh fruit
- \Rightarrow Yogurt
- $\Rightarrow \ \ {\rm Fruit} \ {\rm cup}$
- \Rightarrow Raw veggies and dip
- \Rightarrow Wheat crackers and cheese
- \Rightarrow Fruit smoothie: made with milk, yogurt, and berries
- \Rightarrow Crunchie snack mix: dried cereal, popcorn, crackers, prezels
- $\Rightarrow~$ Chewy snack mix: dried fruit, raisins, with nuts/seeds

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