# EAT YOUR CORN

## **MyPyramid for Kids**

Color in the MyPyramid chart using the color codes below to represent the five major food groups plus oils.



- 1. How many cups of vegetables should you eat every day?
- 2. How many cups of fruits should you eat every day?
- 3. What are your five favorite fruits and vegetables?

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4. How many minutes do you need to be active every day?

3) answers will vary, 4) at least 60 minutes

Answers: 1) 1% - 3 cups depending on age, 2) 1 - 2 cups depending on age,

## **Reasons to Eat Corn**

Eating a  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup of white or yellow corn is a good way to get thiamin. Thiamin is also called vitamin B<sub>1</sub>. It helps your body use energy.

#### **Thiamin Champions:\***

Black beans, corn, fortified breakfast cereals, lima beans, navy beans, pasta, pinto beans, rice, soy beans, and whole grain products.

\*Thiamin Champions are a good or excellent source of thiamin.

## **How Much Do I Need?**

A ½ cup of corn is about one small ear of corn. This is about the same as one cupped handful of corn kernels. The amount of fruits and vegetables that is right for you depends on your age, if you are a boy or a girl, and how active you are every day. Look at the chart below to find out how many cups you need. Eat a variety of colorful fruits and vegetables throughout the day – fresh, frozen, canned, and dried. They all count towards your daily amounts. And, don't forget to be active for at least 60 minutes every day!

#### **Recommended Daily Amounts of Fruits and Vegetables\***

	Kids, Ages 5-12	Teens and Adults, Ages 13 and up
Boys	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> - 5 cups per day	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> - 6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> cups per day
Girls	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> - 5 cups per day	3½ - 5 cups per day

\*If you are active, eat the higher number of cups per day. Visit **www.mypyramid.gov/kids** to learn more.



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## **Nutrition Facts**

Serving Size: ½ cup corn (82g) Calories 89 Calories from Fat 9

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	% Daily Value
Total Fat 1g	2%
Saturated Fat 0	g 0%
Trans Fat 0g	
Cholesterol 0mg	0%
Sodium 0mg	0%
Total Carbohydrat	te 21g 7%
Dietary Fiber 2g	9%
Sugars 3g	
Protein 3g	
Vitamin A 4% Vitamin C 9%	Calcium 0% Iron 3%