

# KEEP NUTRITION COLORFUL



# By Eating a Rainbow of Fruits and Veggies!

When we say eat a rainbow, that means make sure you eat each color every day. Why? Because each color represents a nutrient your body needs to thrive!

### Green:

Spinach, broccoli, asparagus, peas, avocado, brussels sprouts, green beans, zucchini, green pears, green apples, kiwi, watercress, arugula, dark green leafy lettuce, endive



#### White/Brown:

Cauliflower, garlic, ginger, mushrooms, onions, shallots, potatoes, parsnip, turnip, kohlrabi, bananas, brown pears, white peaches, dates



## **Orange/Yellow:**

Carrots, pumpkin, corn, sweet potato, rutabagas, yellow tomatoes, butternut squash, lemons, mangoes, pineapples, oranges, cantaloupe



### **Red/Dark Red:**

Tomatoes, red peppers, radishes, beets red potatoes, strawberries, watermelon, red apples, rhubarb, cherries, red grapes, raspberries, blood oranges



Purple asparagus, red cabbage, eggplant, black olives, purple carrots, purple fleshed potatoes, plums, blackberries, blueberries, concord grapes, raisins



## Why it Matters

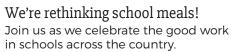
Many Americans fall short of the USDA's MyPlate daily recommendations. Eating more fruits and vegetables as part of an overall healthy diet is likely to help reduced the risk of some chronic diseases. Regular exercise along with these good eating habits are likely to provide health benefits. <sup>2</sup>

## Serve it Up

In general, how many servings of fruit and veggies does your family need each day?

Age/Yrs	Fruit	<b>Veggies</b>
2-4	1-1.5Cs	I-2 Cs
5-8	I-2 Cs	1.5-2.5 Cs
9-13	1.5-2Cs	1.5-3.5 Cs
14-18	1.5-2.5 Cs	2.5-4 Cs
Adults	1.5-2 Cs	3-4 Cs

Check out https://www.myplate.gov/for all the details!



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- 1) https://fruitsandveggies.org/stories/fruit-and-veggie-color-list/
- 2) https://www.myplate.gov/eat-healthy/vegetables

