



IT'S SNACK TIME!



TIPS FOR A HEALTHY SNACK



FRUITS/VEGETABLES

- Use a reusable container to pack pre-cut fruit and vegetables
- Add dried fruits like raisins or cranberries to a snack-sized container for an easy go-to option



DAIRY

- Try adding fruit to plain yogurt for a calcium-rich snack
- When recipes include cream cheese, use low-fat or fat-free ricotta cheese instead



WHOLE GRAINS

- Use a reusable container to pack whole grain cereals or popcorn
- For a quick snack on the go, pack whole-grain crackers



PROTEIN

- Add peanut or any other nut butter as a dip for apples or celery sticks
- Add a hard-boiled egg to a lunch bag for a great source of protein







EAT HEALTHY ON A BUDGET

PLAN YOUR WEEKLY MEALS

- Explore new healthy and low-cost snacks.
- Use foods you already have and pack them as a to-go snack.
- Pack fresh or dried foods like fruits or nuts.

SHOP SMART

- Switch to drinking water with lemon instead of sugary drinks.
- Compare the price and number of servings from fresh, canned, and frozen produce.
- Oftentimes, store brands can be less expensive the some of the name-brand foods.

PREPARE HEALTHY SNACKS

- To make your next snack easier, pre-cut produce ahead of time.
- Have snacks nearby to keep your energy up.

Learn more about <u>Healthy Eating on a Budget |</u> MyPlate.

ACTIVITIES

- Crossword Puzzle
- <u>Look and Cook Recipe Crunchy Rainbow</u>
 Wrap

Sources: <u>California Department of Public Health</u> and <u>U.S. Department of Agriculture</u>

RECIPE CORNER

ZUCCHINI CHIPS

INGREDIENTS

- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1/2 teaspoon Italian seasoning
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 3 cups fresh zucchini

PREPARATION

- 1. Preheat the oven to 450 degrees.
- 2. In a small bowl, mix the oil, lemon juice, herbs, salt, and pepper.
- 3. Wash, peel, and cut the zucchini into ¼" rounds to get 3 cups cut-up vegetables.
- 4. Spread the zucchini on pan.
- 5. Coat the vegetables with the oil mixture.
- 6. Bake for 20 minutes. Stir after the first 10 minutes of baking.
- 7. Serve the vegetables while they are still hot. **Makes 6 servings.**

For more healthy recipes, visit <u>CalFresh Healthy</u> <u>Living</u>.

RESOURCES

For more information about food assistance, visit Women, Infants and Children (WIC). WIC helps families get healthy food and much more. WIC is a federally funded USDA nutrition program that is administered by the California Department of Public Health.