

Make the Healthy Choice the Easy Choice

Parent
Information



Alberta Project Promoting
active Living & healthy Eating

Your child's school is part of the Alberta Project Promoting active Living and healthy Eating in Schools. At APPLE schools, we are "making the healthy choice the easy choice".

This means that your child's school is making an effort to provide healthy options whenever food is served at the school. It also means that your child will be provided with more opportunities to be active as well as have chances to try new physical activities.

Developing a healthy school community starts with the school, parents, and the community being dedicated to helping improve the healthy eating and active living behaviors of your children.

Here are easy ways that you can help your child develop healthy habits:

- Pack a fruit and vegetable in your child's lunch
- Encourage your child to eat 6 servings of vegetables and fruits a day
- Encourage the use of a water bottle instead of juice or pop
- Walk your child to and from school as part of a goal of 60 minutes of physical activity needed each day
- Try to have a quiet place for your children to sleep for a minimum of 10 hours a night
- Turn off any TV or electronics so your child is watching no more than 2 hours of screen time a day and replace the screen time with family games and activities.
- Dress your child in appropriate clothing to be active at recess time (during the winter time have winter boots, hat, mittens, and a jacket)

Here is information regarding community agencies that provide reduced cost recreation activities for families:

- City of Edmonton Leisure Access Program
PH: 780-496-4918
Website: <http://www.edmonton.ca>
- YMCA Opportunity Fund
PH: 780-439-9622
Website: <http://www.northernalberta.ymca.ca>
- Kidsport Alberta
PH: 780-644-1815
Website: <http://www.kidsport.ab.ca/>

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