

FLAG FOOTBALL



Athlete Training
Guide



Nutrition Focus

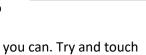
Eating right is important to your health and your sports performance. Eating right can be easy and enjoyable because there are many delicious healthy choices. Your goal is to eat at least 5 total fruits and vegetables every day! Here some examples of meals you can have for breakfast, lunch, and dinner that are packed with fruits and vegetables:

- ➤ **Breakfast:** Try making a parfait! Start with some yogurt and add in granola, nuts, and your favorite fruits and you have a quick and healthy breakfast!
- Lunch: Swap out your peanut butter and jelly sandwich for a peanut butter and banana sandwich. Not only will this satisfy a fruit serving, but it is also lower in fat, calories, and sodium. Add in a side of baby carrots for a well-rounded meal.
- **Dinner:** At dinnertime add in a side salad to get a wide variety of vegetables.

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Leg Swing Diagram

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- Grains:
 - o Brown or Wild, or Unpolished Rice
 - Oatmeal
 - Whole Grain Bread & Pasta
- > Diary:
 - Low-fat or Skim Milk
 - Low-fat Cheese
 - Low-fat, unsweetened yogurt (watch the sugar!
 - Cottage Cheese
- Protein:
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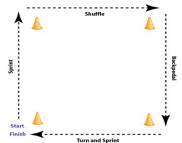
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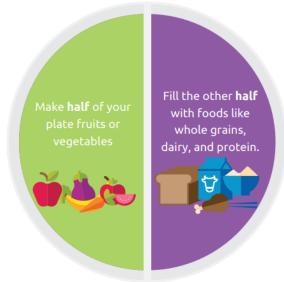
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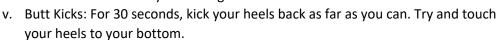
- Watch the amounts of food you put on your plate
- Save junk food like desserts, chips and sodas for special occasions.
- Make half of your plate fruits or vegetables (see diagram below).
- Fill the other half with foods like whole grains, dairy, and protein.
- Add more fruits and vegetables to your meals.
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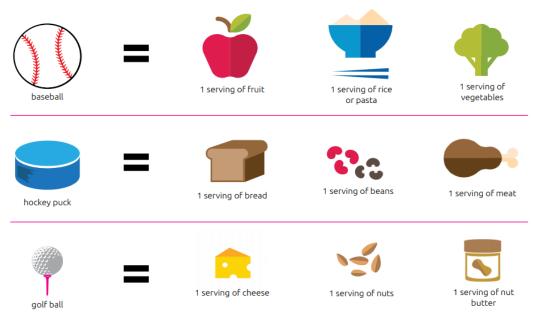
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The amount of food you eat is one of the most important parts of building a healthy eating style. Choosing smaller portions can help you stay within your calories needs. Be aware of the amount of what you eat and drink during meals and snacks. Some commonly eaten foods can provide more calories than we realize. You can cut down on calories by choosing a smaller portion.

Here is a fun way to remember how much to eat when you have a serving. The size of sports equipment on the left is about the same size as one serving of the foods on the right:



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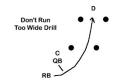


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- ii. Don't Run too Wide Drill: Make two target gates with cones. Receive the handoff from a partner and run through the cones. Complete the drill 10 times each direction. Drill shown in the picture.



1. If you do not have a partner, start with the ball in your hand and complete the drill.

b. Defense

- Flag Pulling: Practice pulling the flag from a partner. Line up 3 yards behind your partner. When you start, chase down your partner and pull their flag. Do this drill 5 times.
 - 1. If you do not have a partner, wrap the flag around a tree. Face away from the tree. When you start, turn around and grab the flag as fast as you can.
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Water helps to keep your body working properly. You lose water when you go to the bathroom, sweat, exercise or even breathe. If you lose too much water without drinking more, your body won't work as well. This is called dehydration. Signs of Dehydration include: •

- You feel thirsty
- > You are tired or sluggish
- > You have a headache
- > Your mouth is dry
- > Your urine is dark yellow or brown

Staying hydrated is easy when you know the best times to drink water! Use the guide below to help you reach your goal every day. Drink at least 1 bottle full of water per hour **DURING** practice or exercise BREAKFAST LUNCH DINNER DRINK WATER THROUGHOUT THE DAY, ESPECIALLY IF YOU AREN'T PRACTICING OR EXERCISING SNACK Drink at least 1 bottle TOTAL: Drink at least 1 bottle full full of water **AFTER** of water an hour **BEFORE** practice or exercise practice or exercise WATER BOTTLES!



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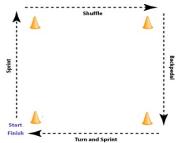
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There are many beverage options available, but some of them are healthier choices than others.

- Sodas, energy drinks, and sports drinks are NOT good beverage choices because they have extra sugar and can make you gain weight. Energy drinks and many sodas also have caffeine. Caffeine does not help you stay hydrated.
- Moderate amounts of low-fat milk and 100% juice are also good choices in small amounts. Low-fat milk and 100% fruit juice are good choices with meals. Keep serving sizes small. No more than 3 cups of milk and 1 cup of juice per day.
- Water is the best choice for a beverage! Drink water every day! If you like flavored drinks, try sparkling water or add a few pieces of fruit into your water bottle.

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Nutrition Focus

Now that you have learned what food and drinks you should be consuming, let's take a look at how you can tell what's in the products you are buying. All packaged food and drinks come with a nutrition label meant to tell you exactly what you're consuming. Understanding what's in the foods you eat helps you make healthier choices.

Important parts of a food label:

- Serving size: Always start with the serving size amount, the rest of the information on the label is based on that. Pay attention to the serving size when you are preparing your meal. For example, if you buy a bag of pretzels and the label says that 1 serving is 15 pretzels, be sure to limit yourself to that amount.
- Calories: A calorie is a way to measure how much energy a food provides to your body. The number on the food label shows how many calories are in one serving of that food. The amount of calories a person needs depends on their age, weight, gender, and activity level. Visit https://www.lifespanfitness.com/fitness/resources/calories-calculator to see how many calories you should consume each day.
- Fat: Our bodies need a little fat every day because it is an important source of energy. Unsaturated fats, which are found in vegetable oils, nuts and fish, are often called "good fats" because they don't raise cholesterol levels. Saturated fats and trans fats are considered "bad" so you want to try and avoid products high in trans fats.

Nutrition Facts: Serving size: 1oz (28g) Servings per container: about 14	
Amount/Serving	% DV*
Calories 150	Fat Cal. 80
Total Fat 8g	12%
Sat. Fat 1g	6%
Trans Fat 0g	
Cholesterol 0mg	0%
Sodium 5mg	0%
Total Carb. 12g	3%
Dietary Fiber 3g	12%
Sugars 10g	
Protein 6g	
Vitamin A 2% V	itamin C 5%
Calcium 3%	Iron 6%
*Percent Daily Values on a 2,000 Calorie die	

INGREDIENTS: Cranberries (Sugar, Sunflower Oil), Dried Mango (Sugar, Citric Acid) [product of Thailand], Roasted Almonds (Sunflower Oil), Walnuts, Pumpkin Seeds [product of China].

ALLERGY INFORMATION: Contains Tree Nuts (Almonds, Walnuts). Manufactured in a facility that processes peanuts/tree nuts. Our products may contain occasional pit, shell pieces, and other naturally occurring objects.

- Fiber: Fiber is important for your digestion. Fiber has no calories and can help you feel full. Ideally you should select foods that have at least 3 grams of fiber per serving.
- Added Sugars: An added sugar is a sugar type that doesn't occur naturally within the product and has been added to sweeten the packaged food item. Try to avoid products with added sugars or look for smaller numbers.



Training

1. Warm up

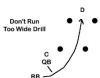
- a. 3 minutes of walking, then increase your speed to a jog for 2 minutes.
- b. Dynamic Stretching
 - i. Arm Circles: 30 seconds forward, 30 seconds backwards. Start with small circles and slowly make them bigger and bigger.
 - ii. Upper Body Rotations: Stand with your feet shoulder-width apart and your arms out to your sides. Your body should be in a "T" shape at this point. Keeping your lower body still, rotate your upper body back and forth from your right to left sides 15 to 20 times.
 - iii. Leg Swings: Put your hands against the wall for balance, then swing your leg from side to side under your body. 30 seconds each leg.
 - iv. High Knees: Stand straight with your feet shoulder width apart. Bring your right knee up to waist level, and then slowly land on your feet. Then bring your left knee up to waist level. Continually switch legs for 30 seconds.



v. Butt Kicks: For 30 seconds, kick your heels back as far as you can. Try and touch your heels to your bottom.

2. Training

- a. Offense
 - Passing to a target: Have a partner run post and fly routes. Throw them the ball.
 Repeat this 10 times with each route.
 - 1. If you do not have a partner to throw to, make a target area with cones, and try to get the ball to the target. If you consistently hit the target area, make it more difficult by moving further away or making the target area smaller.
 - ii. Don't Run too Wide Drill: Make two target gates with cones. Receive the handoff from a partner and run through the cones. Complete the drill 10 times each direction. Drill shown in the picture.



1. If you do not have a partner, start with the ball in your hand and complete the drill.

b. Defense

- Flag Pulling: Practice pulling the flag from a partner. Line up 3 yards behind your partner. When you start, chase down your partner and pull their flag. Do this drill 5 times.
 - 1. If you do not have a partner, wrap the flag around a tree. Face away from the tree. When you start, turn around and grab the flag as fast as you can.



- ii. Catch and Run: Start 15 yards away from your partner. Start running toward your partner and have them throw the ball to either side of you. Catch the ball in stride and run the ball back to your partner.
 - 1. If you do not have a partner, start in the same position. Run forward 5 yards, stope and shuffle 3 yards to each side. Run the rest of the way.
- c. Conditioning

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- a. 5-minute walk
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