# Reach for a Healthy Beverage What Should Mrink?

### Throughout the Day

Choose these beverages that are great for your body:

Water: Drink when you're thirsty to keep you hydrated.

Milk: 3 cups of low-fat or fatfree milk each day for strong bones, teeth and muscles.

100% juices: 1/2 to 1 cup serving per day for a healthy immune system; then choose to eat whole fruits.

Match your drink choice with your level of activity:

Water: Before, during and after activity. Sports drinks are only if you're participating in vigorous physical activity for more than 1 hour.

Low-fat milk or chocolate milk: After activity to replace important nutrients such as protein and electrolytes. Drinks like milk help you recover and rebuild muscles faster.

Think about your drink options and make good choices starting today:

### Once in a While

Limit the amount of drinks with added sugar with few nutrients:

Soda Sweetened drinks and teas Dessert-style coffees Fruit-flavored drinks Energy drinks **Enhanced** waters



## Choose Most Often

Water

Milk: Low-fat or fat-free

100% juice

Unsweetened beverages

### Drink Less Often

Soda

Sports drinks, energy drinks

Fruit drinks

Sweetened teas, coffees and other beverages

# How do you read a beverage label?



- Start with servings. Look closely at the serving size.
- 2. How many servings per container? Most containers have 2 or 3 servings. This has 1 serving.
- Check calories. Labels show the calories for 1 serving.
- Look for valuable nutrients in 1 serving that help your body have energy and be strong.



# How do your beverage choices stack up?

### Fat-Free Milk

Low-fat or fat-free milks are packed with nutrients for strong bones and teeth and lean muscles.

> Drink 3 cups every day.

### Chocolate Milk

Flavored milk offers variety and good nutrition, with some added sugar.

Great sports recovery drink.



### 100% Fruit Juice

100% fruit and vegetable juices provide vitamins.

Choose up to 1 cup of 100% juice a day instead of fruit-flavored drinks.

### Sports Drink

Most containers have 2 - 3 servings. The calories add up!

Sports drinks are for hard physical activities lasting 1 hour. Otherwise, choose water.

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Have added sweeteners and often high calories with no nutrients.



