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Re-think Your Drink

Soda, sports drinks, sweet tea, coffee drinks, and fruit drinks are high in sugar and low in nutrition. Choose water, fat-free milk, or 1% plain milk as your regular drink of choice.

WHEN CHOOSING YOUR BEVERAGE:

- Whole fruit is best, but if choosing juice, check the label for 100% fruit juice (no added sugar).
- *Beware of beverages called "fruit drinks." These do not contain* 100% juice and are often high in added sugar.





Drinks high in sugar are associated WITH CAVITIES IN CHILDREN'S TEETH. **HEALTHY TIPS** Most people do not get enough water. Children need at least 5-8 cups of water (8 ounces each) every day! Water is needed to prevent dehydration, especially in hot, humid weather. TIPS TO HELP YOUR CHILD DRINK MORE WATER: Always have a pitcher of water in the fridge. Jazz up water with fruit slices or a dash of fruit juice. Ø Aquas frescas are a great way to incorporate fruit. Limit the amount of sugar you add to keep it healthy. Add real fruit to low-fat milk to make it naturally sweet.



This week, set a goal to choose only WATER OR PLAIN MILK TO DRINK!

Sugary drinks add extra calories,

INCREASE RISK OF BEING OVERWEIGHT. and may cause illnesses like diabetes.