**Summer 2018** 

# Healthy Carroll Families



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Welcome to the new and improved Healthy Carroll Families for Summer 2018.

Healthy Carroll Families is our media campaign with information designed to help you take the next step in your family-based approach to healthy living.

We encourage you to make copies and distribute these handouts to your clients, customers, students, PTA, family, friends...everybody! These materials may also be downloaded for free from our website,

## HealthyCarroll.org.

Please call or email me any questions, feedback, or suggestions you may have about Healthy Carroll Families. I look forward to hearing from you.



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# Nediterranean Diet

The Mediterranean diet is the traditional style of eating seen in countries that border the Mediterranean Sea and is abundant in foods that are readily available in the area.

Research has shown that this way of eating reduces the risk of heart disease by lowering low-density lipoprotein (LDL) cholesterol — the "bad" cholesterol that is more likely to build up in your arteries.

The Mediterranean diet has also been associated with a reduced incidence of cancer, Parkinson's and Alzheimer's diseases. Like any healthy diet, the Mediterranean diet encourages the consumption of fruits, vegetables, fish, whole grains and limits trans-fats and processed foods.

A traditional Mediterranean diet includes an average of 9 servings of fruits and vegetables a day. Unfortunately, less than 12 percent of Americans consume the recommended 1½ to 2 cups of fruit and 2 to 3 cups vegetables a day. Nuts and fish are high in Omega-3 fats and have cardio-protective effects by decreasing blood pressure, lowering



Source: Oldways Preservation & Exchange Trust and The Harvard School

triglyceride levels and decreasing clot formation in the blood vessels.

Interested in implementing the Mediterranean way of eating? Start by making these simple changes to improve your health!

- Eat plenty of fruits and vegetables, whole grains, legumes, and nuts
- Replace butter and margarine with healthy fats, such as olive oil and canola oil
- Decrease salt intake and use the spices in your spice rack
- Decrease the amount of red meat in your diet
- Eat lean proteins like fish and poultry
- Consume low fat dairy products
- Get plenty of exercise (150 minutes of moderate intensity exercise a week)

Before implementing dietary changes, consult your primary care physician. Some items may not be appropriate for children, specifically those under the age of 2.

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References:

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## PROTECT ALL THE SKIN YOU'RE IN

# Skin cancer is the most common cancer in the United States, but most skin cancers can be prevented!

#### Every year-

- Nearly 5 million people are treated for skin cancer at a cost of more than \$8 billion.
- There are about 76,000 new cases of and 9,000 deaths from melanoma, the deadliest form of skin cancer.



Exposure to **ultraviolet (UV) rays**—from the sun or from artificial sources like tanning beds— is the most common cause of skin cancer.

Anyone, no matter their skin tone, can get skin cancer.

## **Enjoy the Outdoors!**

Being physically active outside is healthy and can help prevent conditions like obesity. But it's important to be sun smart when playing and working outdoors.



## Use a Layered Approach for Sun Protection.



Seek shade, especially during midday hours.

Wear a hat, sunglasses, and protective clothing to shield skin.

Use broad spectrum sunscreen with at least SPF 15 to protect exposed skin.

Sunscreen works best when used with shade or clothes, and it must be re-applied every 2 hours and after swimming, sweating, or toweling off.



# Facts on Sun Screen



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Use a sunscreen with an SPF of 15 or higher that says "broad spectrum", meaning that it blocks both UVA and UVB rays.

UVB rays (Ultraviolet B radiation) are the primary causes of sunburn, skin cancer, & premature aging.



"Waterproof" or "Sunproof" is not an accurate claim. No sunscreen has "instant protection" and they only protect you from harmful rays if used correctly and reapplied within a certain amount of time.



Apply sunscreen 15 to 30 minutes before going outside.



Make sure to reapply sunscreen every two hours, more often if you're sweating or jumping in and out of the water.

# What is a CSA?

Local Farmers' Markets and Farms located on back cover!

Community Supported Agriculture, or what is commonly known as a CSA has become more and more popular since its beginning over 25 years ago. To break it down, farmers offer "shares" to the public that usually includes their farm grown vegetables/fruits. Each farm offers something different, but in return for your membership/ subscription, you receive a box or bag of their fresh produce every week during the farming season. Because each farm is different, there are several options to your CSA experience. Some farms offer a "mix and match" or "market-style" CSA where the consumer has the ability to pick and choose what produce they would like. For a full list of CSA's in Carroll County, take a look at:

https://www.localharvest.org/westminster-md/csa



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## **Farmers' Markets**

**Carroll County Farmers' Market** Westminster, MD · 410-848-7748 carrollcountyfarmersmarket.com

Carroll Hospital Farmers' Market Westminster, MD (Thursdays) 410-871-6472

Downtown Westminster Farmers' Market Westminster, MD • 410-903-3921 westminstermd.gov

## Local Farms

Baugher's Orchard & Farm Westminster, MD · 410-848-5541 Fruit Market · 410-848-7490 baughers.com

Briar Ridge Farm Union Bridge, MD · 410-775-1855

Bro-Kor Valley Farm Westminster, MD · 410-871-1625 bro327@hotmail.com

Buppert's/Doran's Chance Farm Eldersburg, MD · 410-795-6815 bupperts.com

Carolyn Farm & Orchard Finksburg, MD · 410-795-4228

Carroll County Farm Fresh Eldersburg, MD · 410-875-7502 carrollcountyfarmfresh.com

Chestnut Creek Farm Westminster, MD · 410-746-5768 chestnutcreekfarm.com Hampstead Farmers' Market Hampstead, MD • 443-821-1339 hampsteadfarmersmarket.com

Mount Airy Main Street Farmers' Market Mt. Airy, MD · 240-449-6435 mountairymainstreetfarmers market.org

## Sykesville Farmers' Market

Sykesville, MD • 410-259-3515 sykesvillemainstreet.com/events

Taneytown Farmers' Market Taneytown, MD · 410-751-1100 taneytown.org

Deep Run Farm Hampstead, MD · 443-340-6231 deeprunfarmsmaryland.com

Evermore Farm Westminster, MD · 443-398-6548 evermorefarm.com

Knill's Farm Market Mt. Airy, MD · 301-829-6799

Lehigh View Farm Union Bridge, MD · 410-775-7058 lehighviewfarm.com

Local Homestead Products New Windsor, MD · 410-635-2011 Ihp.farm

Nev-R-Dun Farm Westminster, MD · 443-340-7212 nevrdunfarm.com

Richfield Farm Manchester, MD · 410-374-8675

## Rock Hill Orchard Mt. Airy, MD · 301-831-7427 rockhillorchard.com

Sewell's Farm Taneytown, MD · 410-756-4397 sewellsfarm.com

Thorne Farm Westminster, MD · 443-386-0244 thornefarm.com

Truck Patch Farms New Windsor, MD · 443-340-0971 truckpatchfarms.com

White Rose Farm Taneytown, MD · 410-756-9303 whiterosefarm.com



# WHAT'S IN SEASON?

## SPRING

- Artichokes Asparagus Broccoli Green Beans Lettuce Morel Mushrooms Oranges Peas Pineapple
- G SU Rhubarb Beets Spinach Bell Pepper Strawberries Blueberries Cherries Cucumbers Eggplant Grapefruit Grapes

## SUMMER

Green Beans Nectarines Radishes Raspberries Summer Squash Sweet Corn Tomatoes Watermelon Zucchini

## FALL

Acorn Squash Broccoli Brussels Sprouts Cauliflower Cranberries Grapes Mushrooms Pears Persimmons Pomegranates Pumpkins Sweet Potato Turnips Winter Squash

## WINTER

Brussels Sprouts Clementines Collard Greens Grapefruit Kale Kiwifruit Oranges Sweet Potatoes Turnips