I Pledge Allegiance to My Health

This pledge can be read daily at school or at home with your family to remind you of all the ways to take care of your body!

I pledge allegiance to my health, to not compare myself to anyone else. With fruits and vegetables I’ll fill my tray and get nice and sweaty every day. I have only this body and this one heart so today’s the day I’m going to start eating less chips and less sugary drinks and before I eat I’m going to think!

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Strawberries grow on the ground.

- A ½ cup of sliced strawberries provides more than 80% of the recommended Daily Value of vitamin C.
- Strawberries are usually the first fruit to ripen in the spring.
- On average, there are 200 tiny seeds on every strawberry.
- The seeds of the strawberry are really the fruit while the red fleshy part is the part that holds the flower together.


**Activity**

- After watching the video, what did you learn about strawberries?

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See the *Strawberry Shortcake* recipe in *Tasting Trios*. 

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**Nutrition Facts**

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Vitamin A 0% Calcium 1%
Vitamin C 81% Iron 2%

Choose MyPlate to help make healthy food choices!

MyPlate helps you see what a healthy plate looks like. We need to be sure to pick foods from each group every day. It is important to eat different foods every day to make sure you get all the nutrients your body needs to stay healthy.

- Write the name of the foods below in the correct food group.
  - If you are unsure about which food group a food belongs to, refer to the next page.

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<th>Blueberries</th>
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<th>Tortilla</th>
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Source: ChooseMyPlate.gov
Foods Found in MyPlate

FRUITS
- Apples
- Bananas
- Blueberries
- Cantaloupe
- Cherries
- Grapefruit
- Grapes
- Kiwis
- Oranges
- Peaches
- Pears
- Pineapple
- Plums
- Raisins
- Raspberries
- Strawberries
- Watermelon
- 100% fruit juice

GRAINS
- Breakfast cereal
- Brown rice
- Corn flakes
- Crackers
- Grits
- Macaroni
- Noodles
- Oatmeal
- Popcorn
- Pretzels
- Spaghetti
- Tortillas like corn, flour, and whole wheat
- Whole wheat bread, cereals, crackers, and pastas

VEGETABLES
- Asparagus
- Beans like lima, kidney, and pinto*
- Beets
- Bell peppers**
- Broccoli
- Carrots
- Cauliflower
- Corn
- Dark green leafy lettuce
- Green beans**
- Green peas*
- Kale
- Lettuce
- Potatoes
- Pumpkin**
- Radish
- Spinach
- Squash**
- Sweet potatoes
- Tomatoes**
- Turnip
- Vegetable juice
- Zucchini**

PROTEIN FOODS
- Beans and peas (see vegetables)
- Beef
- Chicken
- Eggs
- Fish
- Nuts like almonds, cashews, and walnuts
- Peanut butter
- Sunflower seeds
- Turkey
- Veggie burger

DAIRY
- Cheese
- Non-fat or low-fat milk
- Non-fat or low-fat yogurt

*beans and peas can also go in the protein group
**these vegetables are the fruit part of the plant because they contain the seeds of the plant