I Pledge Allegiance to My Health

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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A ½ cup of cooked, sliced beets is a source of fiber.

Beet juice is widely used as a “natural” dye to give pink or red color to processed foods.

Romans were some of the first to grow and develop beets for their roots and used them for feeding animals. Greeks were the first to consume both roots and leaves.

Growing beets adds minerals to the soil, as the leaves are made up of 25% magnesium, which is great for compost piles.

Let’s Rethink Your Drink! Sugar can be in foods and drinks in two ways:

- Naturally, like in fruit and dairy products, which is part of the overall healthy package of nutrients that these foods provide.
- Added sugar, which adds calories but little or no nutrients. Drinking too many sugary beverages can increase the chances of experiencing some health problems, including weight gain, obesity, tooth decay, diabetes, and heart disease.

Activity

Visit https://bit.ly/2AlmB5z and as a class or in groups, decide what this poster is trying to communicate and then discuss the following questions:

Which drink has the most teaspoons of sugar? _________________________

How many minutes of brisk walking will it take to burn off that drink?_________  

Is it surprising to you how much sugar is in these drinks? ________________

What about the amount of brisk walking needed to burn it off? ____________