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## What is Choose MyPlate?

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Service has introduced MyPlate as a way to illustrate the five food groups needed as part of a balanced meal. MyPlate is a reminder to find a healthy eating style and continue it throughout your lifetime.

To eat healthy, aim for a variety of foods and beverages from each food group and limit saturated fat, sodium, and added sugars. What and how much you eat and drink, along with regular physical activity, can help you manage your weight and lower your risk of disease.



## Focus on Variety, Amount and Nutrition

- Focus on making healthy food and beverage choices from all five food groups including fruits, vegetables, grains, protein foods, and dairy to get the nutrients you need.
- · Eat the right amount of calories for you based on your age, sex, height, weight, and physical activity level.
- Building a healthier eating style can help you avoid overweight and obesity and reduce your risk of diseases such as heart disease, diabetes, and cancer.



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## **Create Your Own Plate**

There is more than one way to eat healthfully and everyone has their own eating style. Aim for a variety of foods and beverages from each food group and limit saturated fat, sodium, and added sugars.

Draw or write the name of foods on the plate below. You could also cut out pictures and tape them onto the plate.









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