Tooth Snack Guide

(Usually) Won't

Won't Cause Cavities*



(Low Carb foods)

Raw, Crunchy Vegetables Raw, Leafy Vegetables Cheese Nuts 100% Nut butters All Meats All Meats All Fats Tf you ore thursty, drink Water woter! Eggs

Remember to give your child age appropriate food. Nuts, hot dogs, grapes, and sausages are common choking hazards, especially in children three years old and under.

Cause Cavities A(+ AC Whole Milk Crurchy Fresh Fruit 4 is best Whole grain bread Popcorn **Smoothies** Dark Chocolate (>70% Cacao) Don't set K corried oway. Yogurt but it rinses away better Ice Cream than other Dips & Sauces desserts. Oatmeal

This list, including milk and fruit, has the potential to cause cavities quickly if you don't organize meal and snack times. The sugars won't stay in contact with teeth for long with organized eating habits.

Causes Cavities Easily AE Candies Soda luice Chocolate milk Cookies Dried fruit Fruit snacks/strips Dried flour cereals Please still eat them, just not all Le day long Pretzels Crackers Oranges & Bananas **Sports Drinks**

Even some healthy foods can cause cavities quickly. Being processed and/or dried is not good for teeth. Fresh bread is better than dried flour for teeth. Based on the book: *More Chocolate, No Cavities* Talk with your doctor or registered dietician before making any major dietary changes

This is a guide made specifically

for teeth, and not overall nutrition.

Important Prevention Tips

- Always try to have a sip of water after every meal or snack!
- Give your child 4 to 6 organized "mini-meals" a day with only water in between.
- Disorganized eating or drinking will cause cavities even with healthy foods!
- Help your child brush their teeth daily until they are six or seven years old.
- Only have water after the night time brushing.
- Floss teeth if they are touching for additional protection.
- Schedule an infant screening exam with your dentist at age one.
- Fluoride application at your dentist every six months can also help reduce cavities by
- six months can also help reduce cavities by 20 to 30%.
- Never leave a bottle in bed with baby!
- Get enough Vitamin D!

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*There are always exceptions, especially dry mouth, acid reflux, genetic anomolies, hypoplasia, and unforseen circumstances.