# Pre-SchoolPages



A newsletter for parents of pre-schoolers packed with food, facts & fun from your local county extension office



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## Strawberry Smoothie

### Ingredients:

1/4 cup low-fat light strawberry yogurt

1/3 cup milk

1/2 banana

3/4 cup orange juice

1/2 cup fresh or frozen strawberries

#### **Directions:**

1) Place all ingredients into a blender or food processor and blend until smooth.



2) Serve immediately.

Nutrition Facts Per Serving: 190 calories; 3g total fat; 2g saturated fat; 0g trans-fat; 10mg cholesterol; 50mg sodium; 39g total carbohydrate; 4g fiber; 21g total sugars; 0g added

sugars; 5g protein.

Source: Jackie Walters, University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service, Nutrition Education Program: Dry Milk. Recipe adapted from Washington State Dairy Council.

### Fruit Yogurt Pops

Makes: 14 servings

These pops are a fun treat that needs only two ingredients. With no cooking, cutting, or special equipment required, kids can learn to make these by themselves.



Ingredients:

1 yogurt, vanilla or plain (8 ounces) 2½ cups strawberries (sliced, frozen, thawed)

\*You may substitute your favorite fruit or whatever is in season!

#### Directions:

- 1. Combine ingredients. Pour into 3-ounce paper cups.
- 2. Freeze about 30 minutes; then stick a wooden Popsicle/craft tick in the center of each cup.



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- 3. Freeze overnight until firm. To eat pops, peel off paper cups.
- 4. For variety, try other fruit flavored yogurts and frozen fruit or fruit juice concentrates.

Nutrition Information: Calories 30; Total fat 0 g; Saturated fat 0 g; Cholesterol 0 mg; Sodium 10 mg; Total Carbohydrate 7 g; Dietary Fiber 1 g; Total Sugars 5 g; Added Sugars included 2 g; Protein 1 g; Vitamin D 0 IU; Calcium 33 mg; Iron 0 mg; Potassium 92 mg

Source: University of California, Cooperative Extension Fresno County, Easy and Nutritious Family Recipes https://whatscooking.fns.usda.gov/recipes

# Tips for Making Quality Time

Here are some simple tips for spending quality time with your children:



- Connect daily with your child.
   Whether it is face-to-face
   connections before school and
   work or sending them a little note in
   their lunch bags, any type of
   connection with your children is
   important and valuable.
- Tell your child that you love them every day. Let your child know why you love and value them.
- Create some routine ritual, such as picking and reading a short book before bedtime.

- Reinforce positive behaviors with your appreciation.
- Cook a meal and eat together. This allows for the family to talk to one another as well as fosters teamwork.
- Schedule time to do an activity with your child, let them choose. Such as crafting, baking, family game night, etc.
- Play with your child, even if it is just for a few minutes.
- Tell jokes and laugh with your child.
   Laughter is great for improving emotional health.
- Take time away from technology for a half an hour and just spend time listening and talking to your child.

Making a meaningful connection with your children is important and can be a simple priority to incorporate into your daily schedule. Doing as such, will have lasting impacts on them as they grow into contributing adults in the future.

#### Source:

https://extension.sdstate.edu/whyspending-quality-time-your-childrenimportant

Preschool Pages will take a break for June & July!





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