

Need help using *Refresh.ED* in the classroom?

Why not come to a **FREE** workshop for teachers to learn how these materials can be used to include food and nutrition into a range of learning areas.

These workshops will introduce teachers to *Refresh.ED*, key nutrition topics and underpinning pedagogical principles incorporated into the developed materials.

Workshops for **primary teachers** are being held on **Monday 3 November**, and for **secondary teachers on Tuesday 4 November**.



Nutrition news

Modify recipes to improve your health

Instead of avoiding favourite foods which might not be so healthy, show students how to make them healthier, with a few easy changes!

Ways to modify recipes include:

- Use non-stick cookware to reduce the need for adding oil to foods;
- If you have to add fats, make sure



Hands on food

Here is a great example of a healthy family favourite!

Healthy Nachos Ingredients

3 large corn tortillas
Oil spray
¼ onion
1 cup low fat cheddar cheese
200g black beans or red kidney beans
¾ medium avocados
4 T low-fat sour cream

Salsa

2 large tomatoes chopped
½ green capsicum chopped
½ small red onion, chopped
¼ cup of coriander leaves, chopped
2 t red wine vinegar
Pepper to taste

Method

- Pre-heat oven to 180C and line 2 trays with baking paper.
- 2. Cut each tortilla into wedges , and lay out on trays.

- they are monounsaturated oils such as olive or canola oils;
- Replace cream with evaporated skim milk, low fat yoghurt or low fat milk in cooking;
- Use lean meats or replace meat with fish or legumes;
- Scrub vegetables rather than peeling them as many of their nutrients lay just below the skin;
- Steam vegetables in the microwave to make sure they don't lose any of their valuable nutrients;
- Taste food before adding salt;
- Use herbs, lemon or vinegar to enhance the flavour of foods;
- Choose low salt varieties or limit use of ingredients such as cheese, tinned soups or processed meats;
- Try reducing the sugar content. Fruit may also be used to add sweetness to foods:
- Steam, bake, grill or microwave foods rather than frying them.

Ask students to modify one of their favourite family recipes to make it healthier. You could cook the most popular recipes as a whole class activity, or in small groups. Refer to some of the <u>Refresh.ED</u> units for ideas.

- 3. Spray lightly with oil.
- 4. Place in oven for 15-20 minutes until crispy, then remove for oven and allow them to cool.
- 5. Whilst tortilla chips are cooking, mix salsa ingredients and set aside.
- 6. Heat grill to hot.
- Place a layer of tortilla chips on an ovenproof plate or dish, add a light sprinkling of cheese, followed by beans and some salsa.
- 8. Continue to layer.
- Place in the oven and grill for 2-36 minutes until cheese is melted and golden.

Serve with a dollop of salsa, slices of avocado and a little sour cream.

For more healthy recipe ideas see

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