### THE BETTER LIVING DIARIES

Hi there, I'm Amber.



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Better Living for Texans
program provides research and
evidence-based nutrition, health
and wellness knowledge to
enpower individuals, families,
and communities to make
positive changes for healthier
lives

# ATEXAS A&M GRILIFE EXTENSION

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Check out these beautiful cool weather garden beds at the South Plains Foodbank Grubfarm



#### **GRILLED CABBAGE WEDGES**

#### WHAT YOU NEED:

Total prep and cook time: 20 minutes

- · 1 small green cabbage
- · 2 tbsp olive oil, divided
- · 1/2 tsp kosher salt & ground pepper
- · 1 tbsp balsamic vinegar
- 1/2 tbsp honey
- 1/8 tsp onion powder



Source: https://www.acouplecooks.com/grilled-caddage

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#### **GRILLED CABBAGE WEDGES**

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Preheat a grill to medium-high heat (375 to 450°F).
- Remove the tough outer leaves of the cabbage. Cut it into 8 wedges (or more if the cabbage is large), leaving the stem intact.
- 3. Place the wedges on a baking sheet. Rub both sides with 1 tablespoon of the olive oil. Sprinkle on ¼ teaspoon kosher salt and fresh ground pepper on one side of the wedges, then flip them and sprinkle the remaining ¼ teaspoon kosher salt on the other side.
- 4. Place the cabbage directly on the grill grates. Grill 5 to 6 minutes per side (10 to 12 minutes total) until softened, turning once.
- 5. In a small bowl, mix together the balsamic vinegar, the remaining 1 tablespoon olive oil, honey, and onion powder. Drizzle the mixture over the wedges and serve.

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Holiday Healthy Spacks



Try these swaps for a healthier charcuterie board!

#### REDUCE ADDED SUGARS

- Switch dried fruit with fresh fruit
- Opt for sugar free or no sugar added dips & spreads



#### LIMIT SODIUM

- Switch salted nuts with unsalted/ raw options
- Select lower sodium cheeses such as swiss, fresh mozarella, or goat cheese



#### GO WHOLE GRAIN

- Switch regular crackers with whole grain options such as multi-grain crackers, whole wheat baguettes, or whole grain crostini



#### ADD HEALTHY FATS

 Add nuts and seeds to add some heart healthy fats to your board





# CROSS \*\*\* CONTAMINATION

#### WHAT IS IT?

Cross contamination occurs when bacteria from one food or item gets on other food.

This can happen when preparing different types of food, or if food gets dropped on the ground.

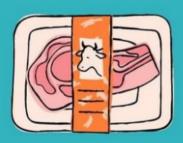
Cross contamination can cause serious illness.





Cross contamination can happen when the cutting board, knife or utensils that were used to prepare one food is then used to prepare another food without being washed.

Cross contamination is especially harmful when bacteria from raw animal products are transferred to ready-to-eat foods.





#### The 5 second rule is a MYTH

Researchers have shown that bacteria can infect food immediately, not only after 5 seconds. However, the longer food is on the ground, the more bacteria will climb aboard!





## WINTER WORKOUTS

#### How to workout when it's cold

- Prepare ahead of time. Have your clothes laid out, water bottle filled, and shoes nearby.
- Enjoy the cooler Texan weather and go outdoors for a bike ride, run, walk or hike
- If it's cold, dress warmly! Wearing a jacket, hat, gloves, or scarf and bringing hand warmers can make a huge difference.
- Exercise during the daytime. Not only will it be warmer, but you'll be more awake too!
- Find indoor options to workout. Gyms, dance classes or online workout videos are all great options!

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# LUBBOCK HOMESCHOOL NATURE GROUP GROW EAT GO

**TUESDAYS** 10AM-11:30AM **SOUTH PLAINS FOOD BANK GRUB FARM** 

#### **ACTIVITIES:**

- Cooking
- Gardening
- Nutrition



CULTIVATE, COOK, & CREATE **SMITH SPROUTS** 

**FALL 2023** 

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## Nutrition Programs

In partnership with Idalou ISD, Roosevelt ISD, Carmona Harrison Elementary Stem/AG, and New Deal ISD! A colorful food tasting experience for local Headstart and Preschoolers.

Taste a Rainbow of Fruits and Veggies! Provided by Texas A6M AgriLife Extension

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Mae Simmons Senior Center
Copper Rawlings Senior Center
Maggie Trejo Senior Center
Homestead Senior Apartments

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LET'S GET MOVING LUBBOCK!!

# WALK ACROSS TEXAS! kicks off September 25th!

Walk Across Texas! is an eight-week program designed to help Texans establish the habit of regular physical activity. Each team may include up to 8 team members, all working together logging miles to reach the 832-mile goal to make their way across the state of Texas. Ready to take the challenge? Grab your friends, family, coworkers and get your team registered!

Sign up today! Go to howdyhealth.org
Adult teams - Enter league code:
watL-230806-90951
Youth/Mixed teams - Enter league code
watLY-230806-31392

## Walking is real exercise

Not all workouts are measured in sweat.



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