Akron Children's Hospital Education and Wellness Garden



Green Fruits and Vegetables



What is the **green** color in fruits and vegetables?

The green color in fruits and vegetables is known as **chlorophyll**. This is a substance naturally present in green plants and helps them absorb energy from the sun. The greener a piece of produce is, the higher its chlorophyll content!

Why is it important?

Green fruits and vegetables have been linked to several health benefits. It was shown that eating green fruits and vegetables can lower our risk for harmful diseases like cancer and heart disease. Green produce has also been shown to maintain our vision health and build strong bones and teeth. It is recommended to eat at least 4 servings of green vegetables a day.

What fruits and vegetables are **green?**

Artichokes
Asparagus
Avocados
Bok Choy
Broccoli
Brussels Sprouts
Cabbage
Celery
Collard Greens
Cucumbers
Green Apples
Green Beans
Green Onions
Green Peppers

Honeydew Melon
Kale
Kiwis
Leeks
Lettuce
Limes
Mustard Greens
Okra
Pears
Peas
Spinach
Watercress







Zucchini