## EDUEXGEELLENCE



## Nutrition Policy

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Low Gl stands for Low Glycemic Index. Low Gl foods take longer to break down in the body and they release energy more slowly into the bloodstream, helping to fill you up and stop you from feeling hungry soon after eating. Low Gl foods are normally low in fat too and can help regulate weight. A Low Gl eating plans focuses on a variety of foods with good nutrients.

## Heathy funchboxes

Healthy lunch boxes help to maintain concentration and energy levels, which, in turn promote learning and favourable behaviour and energy levels during and after school hours. This will help your child to remain focused at school and at home whilst doing homework.

- You are your child's role model: model a healthy lifestyle and it will be easier for the rest of the family to follow.
- It takes planning - you need to plan ahead so that you buy the correct foods for making snacks and lunch boxes.
- Resist the "easy" option to buy cold drinks, crisps and chocolate bars - in the long run this is going to ruin your children's health.
- Resist your children's demands and manipulations for snacks, high in fats and oils, and fizzy cold drinks
- Remember that children are different from adults - they have a much smaller stomach capacity, so they need regular snacks and some children have a much higher energy requirement because they're more active than adults
- Lunchboxes may have to replace three to four meals a day - that breakfast that wasn't eaten, the mid-morning snack; they get lunch at school and the mid-afternoon snack - a whole menu in one box.


## Nutrition Policy continued...

- Packaging is important - buy a sturdy plastic container that's big enough to accommodate the food you want your child to take to school without it getting squashed.
- Eating a variety of foods gives children and adults the best chance of obtaining a balanced diet.
- Select foods from all the food groups every day.
- Fast food and takeaways do not provide sufficient nutrition for a learner throughout the day; please refrain from sending to school.

Note: All learners enrolling at EduExcellence agree to adhere to our Food Policy.

Reach out to your Campus for further guidelines and lunchbox ideas!

## Tuckeshop:

Each campus runs and manages their own Tuckshop within the philosophy and policies of EduExcellence.

Please check with your campus to determine:

- on which days the tuckshop is open
- items and pricing



## Low-GI Policy

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