### EFNEP WORKS 2018

**Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program** 





### The Challenge



2 in 3 Wisconsin adults are overweight or obese.



1 in 7 Women Infants and Children (WIC) program participants aged 2-4 years old are obese.



Parents who model healthy eating behaviors have children who have healthy eating behaviors.



**\$3.1 Billion =**Cost of obesity in Wisconsin

#### EFNEP National Statement

EFNEP uses a holistic nutrition education approach. Participation results in individuals and families experiencing improvements in four core areas:



Diet quality and physical activity





Food resource management





Food safety





Food security

### Program Reach

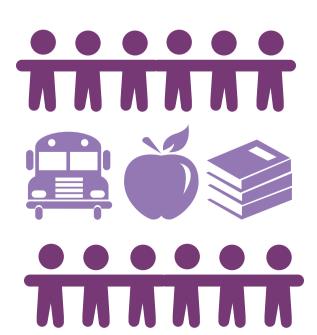
Paraprofessionals (peer educators) deliver a series of hands-on, interactive lessons to program participants. Lessons are evidence-based and tailored to meet the needs of the audience.



# B Wisconsin counties

Dane, Kenosha, Milwaukee, Portage, Racine, Rock, Waukesha, Wood 479 Adults

4579 elementary school youth received nutrition education



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### Healthy Intentions, Healthy Behaviors

Diet quality:

of adults showed

or more nutrition

(i.e. plans meals,

choices, prepares

labels or serves

74%

showed

practices

improvement in one

makes healthy food

food without adding

salt, reads nutrition

children breakfast).

of children and youth

improvement in

choosing foods

consistent with

Federal Dietary

Guidelines.

86% : 74%

of adults reported a positive change in physical activity.

Physical activity:

30%

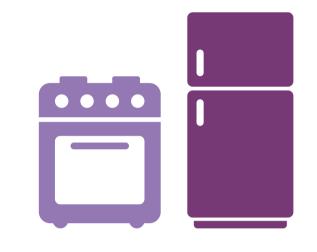
of children and youth showed improvement in one or more knowledge, skill(s), or behavior(s) necessary to improve their physical activity practices.



72%

Food safety:

of adults showed improvement in one or more food safety practices (i.e. thawing and storing foods correctly).



49%

of children and youth showed improvement in one or more knowledge, skill or behavior measures related to handling food safely. Food security:

**76%** 

of adults showed improvement in one or more food resource management practices (i.e. plan meals, compare prices or use grocery lists).



\$8356

= total cost savings reported by adult EFNEP program graduates





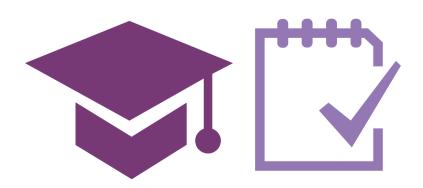




"I value this program because it is helping me become more aware of what I am putting in my body and some of the negative effects. I appreciate the teacher making it an enjoyable experience."

### Why it works

Programs are evidence-based.



The program builds community, leverages university resources and supports community health.





We help make the healthy choice the easy choice.