Mix up your meals with new ideas

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Start with a dish you know--and add variety! Try one of these fresh ideas to make your meals healthier.

Fruits and Vegetables:

- add **spinach** to lasagna
- top salads with **mandarin** oranges
- dip **raw carrots** in hummus
- add canned tomatoes to pasta sauce
- mix frozen broccoli into rice
- add dried cranberries or raisins to oatmeal

Dairy (choose low fat or no fat options):



- drink **milk** with your meal
- eat **cottage cheese** with pineapple or peaches
- add milk or yogurt to a smoothie
- use **plain greek yogurt** instead of sour cream on tacos
- use mozzarella on veggie pizza
- try yogurt-based salad dressing

Protein:

- add **beans/lentils** to rice, soups and casseroles
- dip apples, celery or carrots in **peanut butter**
- try turkey bacon in place of bacon on a bacon, lettuce and tomato (BLT) sandwich
- make **hard-boiled eggs** ahead of time to eat as snacks or on salads
- bake chicken breasts ahead of time and add diced chicken to soups, salads, pasta and burritos

Grains:

- use **whole grain bread** for sandwiches
- combine **whole grain pasta** with white pasta
- mix brown rice with white rice
- make a veggie burrito with whole grain tortillas
- add **barley** to vegetable beef soup
- try air-popped popcorn without butter or salt

Contact your local FoodWIse program to learn more:

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