FEBRUARY

Family Goal Setting
Make half your plate fruits and veggies this month. Start by doing this twice a week. Add a salad, a piece of fruit or a cup of microwaved veggies to make every meal more colorful and nutritious.

Arkansas’ Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) provides nutrition assistance to people with low income. It can help you buy nutritious foods for a better diet.
Go to access.arkansas.gov for more information.

Pick a better snack™ & Act allows you to enjoy a variety of fruits, vegetables, and physical activities. Complete the card by putting an “X” through the squares of fruits, vegetables, and physical activities you have tried. A “Bingo” is complete when you make a line of X’s diagonally, horizontally, or vertically.
Bell Pepper (Cut. Eat. How easy is that?)

- **Buying:** Bell peppers come in many colors: red, orange, yellow, green, and purple! Choose firm, bright colored peppers with tight skin. Steer clear of peppers with soft spots or cracks.
- **Storing:** Refrigerate bell peppers in a plastic bag for use within 5 days. Leave sliced peppers in a sealed container in the fridge so they’re ready for snacks after school.
- **Enjoying:** Bell peppers taste great fresh. They’re sweet and mild; don’t worry about heat with bell peppers. Just cut open and remove the seeds. Then, cut into strips and enjoy! Work peppers into your favorite meals by adding them to pizza, pasta, or hash browns. For a tasty treat, cut off the top of a pepper and scoop out the seeds. Put a scoop of low-fat cottage cheese inside the pepper. It’s a pepper bowl you can eat that’s a fun snack for kids.