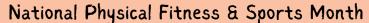


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The month of May is national physical fitness and sports month. With it heating up here in Frio County (ironic, I know) we can find ways to still keep active indoors. If you think that you need to have an intense regime to follow in order to reap the benefits, you'll be pleasantly surprised to find that that is not the case! In this month's newsletter you'll find different exercises you can do in the comfort of your own home (or office) that can lead to benefits such as reducing stress, reducing risk for many chronic diseases, and reducing the feelings of anxiety and depression.

Exercise and fitness isn't about the pounds you shed or the number of burpees you should be able to do, but rather being more active and present. The key to an active, healthier lifestyle is consistency. No matter what you do nor how insignificant it may seem, ensure you keep doing it. Healthy choices tend to have a domino effect, and before you know it, you'll start to choose other healthy alternatives such as eating more produce or getting more sleep.

Go get 'em, Tiger!

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6 Strength-Training Exercises To Do at Your Desk

- 1. Isometric muscle strengthening
- 2. Oblique twist
- 3. Desk planks and pushups
- 4. Seated leg extension
- 5. Chair calf raises
- 6.Chair Squats

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When & What Should I Eat Before a Workout?

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As one of the largest producers of fresh fruits and vegetables in the U.S., Texas' seasonality and availability can't be beat. Texas farmers have a focus on growing high-quality produce. In fact, more than 60 commercial fruit and vegetable crops and over 600 specialty crops are grown in the Lone Star State. Various produce, like green cabbage, carrots, herbs, mushrooms, tomatoes and turnips, are available year-round.

Field Peas Blackberries Onions Herbs **Peaches** Cabbage Carrots Honeydew **Peppers** Cucumbers Lettuce **Potatoes** Grapefruit Mushrooms Squash Green Onions **Greenhouse Tomatoes Turnips** Watermelon Zucchini