



# NINE & TEN YEARS OLD

## WELL CHILD CHECK

#### NUTRITION

- THREE HEALTHY MEALS WITH 2-3 HEALTHY SNACKS PER DAY
  - USE WWW.CHOOSEMYPLATE.GOV TO CORRECTLY PORTION MEALS
- SKIM OR 2% MILK
  - NO MORE THAN 16-24 OZ PER DAY
- Always eat breakfast.
- ALLOW YOUR CHILD TO DECIDE WHEN HE IS FULL.
- Eat meals as a family without the TV.
- LIMIT HIGH FAT FOODS AND CANDY
- No juice, soft drinks, sports drinks, or chocolate milk

#### YOUR GROWING CHILD

- GIVE YOUR CHILD CHORES TO DO.
- TEACH YOUR CHILD HOW TO HELP OTHERS.
- DISCUSS PUBERTY AND BODY CHANGES.
- Create a homework routine.

#### **BEHAVIOR**

- Our behavioral health counselors (BHCs) are available to discuss parenting techniques, behaviors, and more!
- DISCUSS BULLIES AND TEACH YOUR CHILD TO SOLVE CONFLICT BY TALKING THROUGH OR WALKING AWAY.
- SLEEP HYGIENE
  - No screen time 2 hours before bed
  - HAVE A REGULAR BEDTIME

#### **HEALTHY TEETH**

- Brush teeth twice per day and floss once per day.
- Dentist appointment 2 times per year

NEXT VISIT: 1 YEAR

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE VISIT WWW.HEALTHYCHILDREN.ORG

### **KEEP YOUR CHILD SAFE**

- Use a booster seat until 4'9"
  - SIT IN THE BACK SEAT UNTIL AGE 13 YEARS
- TEACH YOUR CHILD HOW TO BE SAFE AROUND OTHER ADULTS.
  - NO ADULT SHOULD ASK TO KEEP SECRETS
    OR LOOK AT PRIVATE PARTS
- Do not approach strange animals
- NEVER LEAVE YOUR CHILD IN WATER ALONE.
  - Drowning can happen in any amount of water at any time of year.
  - TEACH YOUR CHILD TO SWIM!
- STORE FIREARMS IN A LOCKED AREA UNLOADED.
- TEACH YOUR CHILD HOW TO SAFELY CROSS THE STREET.
- ALWAYS WEAR A HELMET WHEN RIDING A BICYCLE OR SCOOTER
- APPLY SUNSCREEN TO ALL AREAS OF BODY WHEN SPENDING TIME OUTDOORS (SPF 15 OR GREATER).
- KNOW YOUR CHILD'S FRIENDS AND THEIR FAMILIES.
- No TV or computer in your child's room.
- KNOW WHO YOUR CHILD TALKS TO ONLINE AND DO NOT GIVE OUT PERSONAL INFO.
- DISCUSS HOW TO STAY SAFE AND A PLAN FOR PERSONAL SAFETY.
- CALL POISON CONTROL CENTER (1-800-222-1222) IF YOUR CHILD EATS A POISON, MEDICATIONS, OR CLEANING SUPPLIES.

#### **ACTIVITIES**

- BE PHYSICALLY ACTIVE FOR 60 MINUTES PER DAY
- Show interest in your child's school activities.
- TALK ABOUT WORRIES.
- LIMIT TV, IPAD, COMPUTER, AND CELL PHONE TIME TO LESS THAN 2 HOURS PER DAY AND ALWAYS SUPERVISE SCREEN TIME