

## BUILDING YOUR BEST BODY

There's no doubt that **quality fuel = quality performance**. Here's how to adjust your diet to help optimize weight and body composition:

- Aim for all five food groups. Enjoy lots of color! Choose nutrient-rich foods like fruits and veggies, dairy foods, whole grains and more.
- Eat often. Not only will your body always be ready for physical sport demands, but it will help keep cravings and spontaneous eating to a minimum.
- Plan ahead. Do a little prep work to make powerful, high-quality food easy to fit in to your day.
- Be patient and consistent. Play the long game for lasting results.

### **† WHAT'S HOLDING YOU BACK?**

- Energy drinks and soda can negatively impact performance. Stick with milk, water, 100% juice or herbal tea.
- Fast food might be easy but it lacks the nutrition your body desperately needs.
  Find ways to make healthy choices easy and convenient.
- Too much restriction can backfire. Enjoy ALL foods in balance. If you want to make changes, your body still needs good quality fuel!
- Avoid mindless eating like snacking while studying or watching TV.
- Start with a smaller portion that you think will satisfy hunger. You can always go back for more if your body calls for it.
- Don't eliminate entire food groups. All of the five main food groups are vital for a strong, healthy body.



# **DIFFERENT DAYS CALL FOR DIFFERENT FOOD CHOICES**

It's important that you adjust your food choices to meet the training demands of your day.

#### EASY TRAINING

- Increase your intake of protein, veggies and fruit
- Reduce grain

#### MODERATE TRAINING

 Can be a balance between easy and hard training days

#### HARD TRAINING

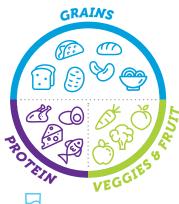
- Increase grains and starches
- Reduce veggies
- Keep protein intake moderate













#### **CHOOSE WISELY**

**PROTEIN:** Promotes recovery and muscle tissue repair, improves satiety and bone health.

**GRAINS/STARCHES:** Provide energy for working muscles and the brain.

**VEGGIES:** Reduce inflammation, protect the body against disease, and promote satiety.

**FRUIT:** Provides energy and hydration, reduces risk of muscle damage and improves immunity. Limit 100% juice to one serving per day.

**DAIRY:** A superpower when it comes to performance; valuable for fueling, recovery and hydration.



