

Healthy eating habits start with a spoonful of trust and a slice of patience — let your child decide how much to eat.

You decide:

- What foods to offer
- When to offer meals and snacks
- Where your child will eat

Trust your child to decide:

- Which foods to eat
- How much to eat



To help encourage healthy eating habits for a lifetime, make eating a social and enjoyable time.

Tips for building healthy eating habits:

- Provide a healthy meal or snack every 2 or 3 hours
- Seat your child at the table for meals and snacks without TV or toys
- Offer small portions of food
- Allow your child to say "no thank you" or "more please"
- · Let your child feed themself
- Let your child leave the table when they are full. 20-30 minutes is enough time to eat
- Keep mealtime free of pressure
- Eat together as a family whenever possible



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