

We associate calcium with building strong bones, but it does so much more! Calcium also supports nerves and muscles, plus, it's an important part of a heart healthy diet.

## Serve It Up

What counts as a serving of calcium?

1-3 years old: 2-2.5 servings

4-8 years old: 2.5 servings

9-18 years old: 3 servings

How much is a serving? I cup!



## **Milk Matters**

Why do doctors agree that milk (or milk alternatives) are so important? Because the bones we build in childhood carry us through! Research shows that

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fat-free or 1% low-fat milk,

starting strong keeps us strong.





Milk

Yogurt Cheese

Soy Milk

Almonds

Tofu



## **Daily Dairy**

What does a serving of dairy look like?

- I cup milk or milk-alternative
- I cup yogurt
- 1.5 oz cheese
- 2 cups cottage cheese
- 1.5 cups ice cream



## **Fun Fact**

Did you know you need Vitamin D for your body to absorb Calcium? That's what makes milk such a smart choice! \*



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