

### **APRIL 2013**

SAISD Food & Child Nutrition Services

## ASPARAGUS

Nutrition:. Good source of folate and Vitamin K

- FUN FACT: Asparagus is a member of the lily family and is related to onions, leeks, and garlic.
- o TASTE: slightly sweet and mellow taste with a crunch
- APPEARANCE: Straight spears with closed, compact tips and a bright green color



## LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT THE ASPARAGUS...

•What does it taste like?

o Is it soft or crunchy?

·What do you like about it?

How many of you have tried this before?



### CORN

Nutrition: Good source of fiber.

- FUN FACT: Each corn plant bears about 2-6, long husked ears.
- o TASTE: Sweet, moist and soft
- APPEARANCE: Corn ears are filled with rows of tooth like seeds surrounding a central woody core (cob).



## LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT CORN.....

- •What does it taste like?
- o Is it soft or crunchy?
- •What do you like about it?

• How many of you have tried this before?



### HONEYDEW

Nutrition: Excellent source of Vit A

- FUN FACT: Honeydew is thought to be originated either from India or ancient Persia or Africa.
- TASTE: Musky sweet with soft consistency and juicy texture



Image source: www.realfood.tesco.com

 APPEARANCE: Round or oblong shape. Flesh color ranges from orange-yellow to salmon

# LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT THE HONEYDEW.....

•What does it taste like?

o Is it soft or crunchy?

•What do you like about it?



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• How many of you have tried this before?

### MANGO

**Nutrition:** Excellent source of vitamin A and good source of Vit C

- FUN FACT: Mangoes are eaten fresh around the world more than any other fruit.
- TASTE: Rich sweet flavor with mild tartness

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 APPEARANCE: Smooth yellow and rose skin with soft and juicy flesh and a single large kidneyshaped seed



Image source: www.vimithaa.blogspot.com



# LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT THE MANGO.....

•What does it taste like?

o Is it soft or crunchy?

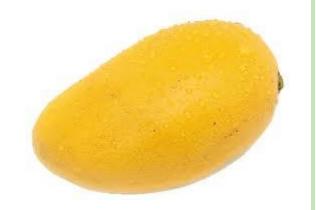


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·What do you like about it?

• How many of you have tried this before?

### PEAS

## Nutrition: Excellent source of folate and a good source of vit C

 FUN FACT: A single pea pod is filled with single row of 2-10 light-green colored, smooth edible seeds.



o TASTE: Sweet sugary taste

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 APPEARANCE: Seeds are green with soft light-green to yellow pods.

# LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT THE PEAS.....

•What does it taste like?

o Is it soft or crunchy?



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oHow many of you have tried this before?

### ORANGES

#### Nutrition: Excellent source of Vitamin C

- FUN FACT: Oranges picked higher up in the tree are usually sweeter than those picked closer to the ground
- o TASTE: Juicy sweet and tart
- APPEARANCE: The rind is leathery with interior flesh composed of segments filled with juicy fluid.



# LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT THE ORANGES.....

- ·What does it taste like?
- o Is it soft or crunchy?
- ·What do you like about it?



How many of you have tried this before?

### PINEAPPLE

#### Nutrition: Excellent source of Vitamin C

- FUN FACT: Caribbean Indians placed pineapple crowns outside the entrances of their homes to symbolize friendship and hospitality.
- TASTE: Sweet and tart taste with rich flavor
- APPEARANCE: The outer rough, tough, scaly rind may be dark green, yellow, orange-yellow or reddish. The flesh may range from creamy white to yellow.



Image source:www.fitho.in

## LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT THE PINEAPPLE.....

- ·What does it taste like?
- o Is it soft or crunchy?
- ·What do you like about it?
- How many of you have tried this before?



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## BABY SPINACH

#### Nutrition: Excellent source of Vitamin K

 FUN FACT: Spinach can be grown year round but the best leaves are available right after winter.

o TASTE: Mellow Crisp flavor

 APPEARANCE: Tender, crispy, dark-green leaves



Image source: www.tinygreenmom.com

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- ·What do you like about it?

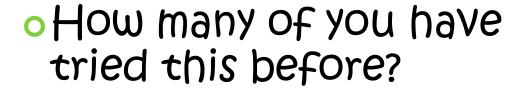




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### RHUBARB

#### Nutrition: Excellent source of Vitamin C

- FUN FACT: Rhubarb is native to Siberia and known in Europe and North America as "pie plant."
- TASTE: Sweet and tart taste with rich flavor



Image source: www.natural-health-and-home-business.com

 APPEARANCE: Long rose red colored edible leafy stalks



## LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT THE RHUBARB.....

- ·What does it taste like?
- o Is it soft or crunchy?
- ·What do you like about it?



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How many of you have tried this before?