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The following items are distributed by the teacher:

Introductory "Welcome" Postcard Postcard #1 Family Challenge #1 The Kid's Activity Pyramid Pathways Nations Map Envelope for Materials

#### " Welcome to Fifth Grade PATHWAYS"

Dear PATHWAYS Fifth Grade Student and Family,

As most of you know, PATHWAYS is a special program that encourages healthy eating and regular physical activity.

This year the PATHWAYS Family Program will include:

- \* 4 Picture Postcards
- **★** Information on Healthy Eating and Exercise
- **\* 4 Family Challenges** goal setting to help your family do more physical activity and eat more healthful foods.

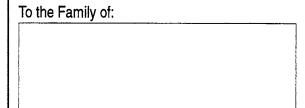
The fifth grader, with the help of at least one adult in the family, should try to complete all four of the Family Challenge sheets, sign them, and take them back to the classroom.

★★★ Every fifth grader who completes and returns ALL FOUR Family Challenge sheets will receive a PATHWAYS t-shirt! ★★★

Watch for your first PATHWAYS envelope of information which will SOON be given to the fifth graders to take home.

As we begin the third and final year of PATHWAYS, we want to **THANK YOU** for your participation in this program!

- PATHWAYS Staff







#### "Be Active Every Day!"

#### Benefits of Physical Activity for You and Your Family:

- Makes your heart stronger.
- Increases your strength and fitness.
- May lower your risk of diabetes and heart disease.

#### **Suggestions to Help Your Family Exercise Every Day:**

- \* Plan time to do physical activity every day for at least 20 minutes.
- \* Try different active games or physical activities, so you don't get bored.
- \* Walk Run Dance Play Basketball Just do something ACTIVE every day!

#### FAMILY CHALLENGE #1

- Look over the Activity Pyramid and fill in the back with the activities your family likes to do.
- Plan 3 times during the next few days when your fifth grader and, if possible, at least one other family member will exercise together for about 20 minutes each time.
- Fill in your Challenge #1 sheet.

#### After you complete your Family Challenge #1:

- Sign the challenge sheet.
- Be sure your fifth grader takes the sheet back to the classroom to help him or her qualifiy for the special reward!

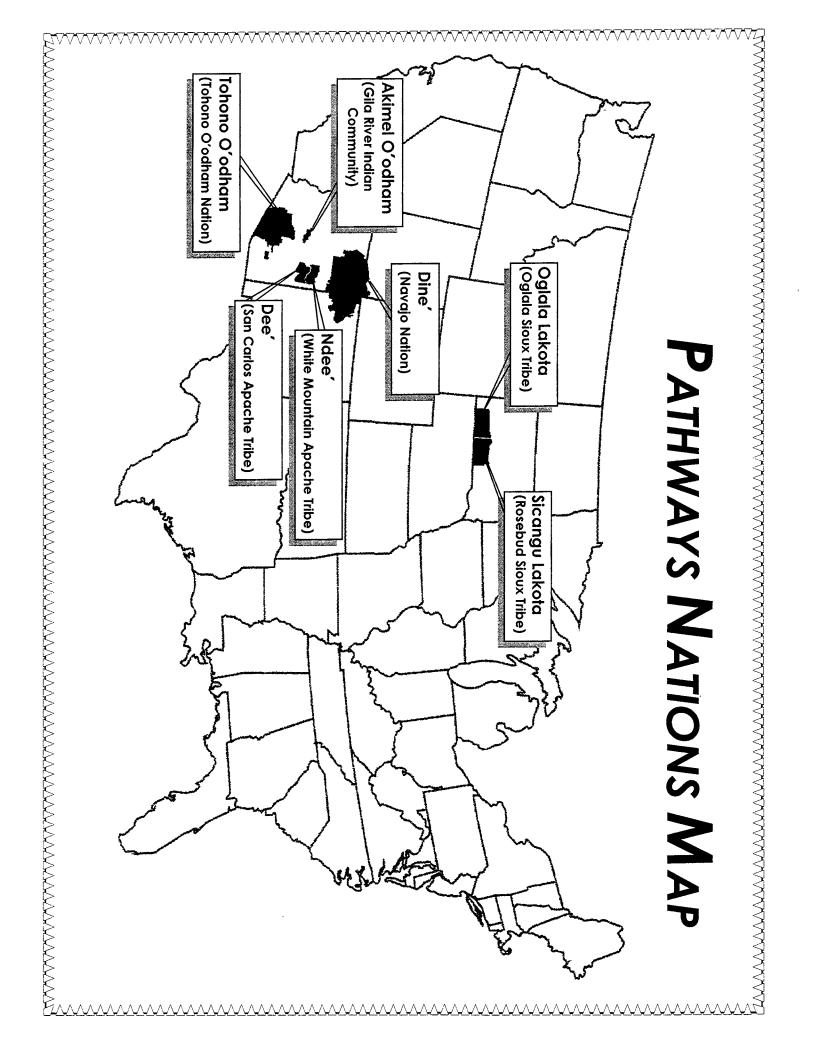
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#### **POSTCARD #1**

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The following items are distributed by the teacher:

Postcard #2
Family Challenge #2/Food Guide Pyramid
Food Guide Pyramid: A Guide to Daily Food Choices
Everyday Foods List
Envelope for Materials

#### "Eat a Variety of Everyday Foods and Beverages!"

#### Benefits of Eating a Variety of Everyday Foods:

- Gives you a chance to enjoy the new and different flavors and textures of many foods.
- Provides a variety of vitamins and minerals which can help keep you healthy.
- May lower your risk of diabetes and heart disease.

#### **Suggestions to Help Add Variety to your Family's Eating:**

- \* Try different fresh, frozen, or canned fruits and vegetables.
- \* Try new flavors of diet pop or bottled water without added sugar.
- \* Taste different kinds of breads without adding butter or margarine.

#### FAMILY CHALLENGE #2

- Look over the Food Guide Pyramid and Everyday Foods list.
- Fill in your Challenge #2 sheet with the Everyday Foods you and your family will try eating during the next few days. Be sure there are some foods in each of the five food groups: Breads, Fruits, Vegetables, Dairy, and Meats.

#### After you complete your Family Challenge #2:

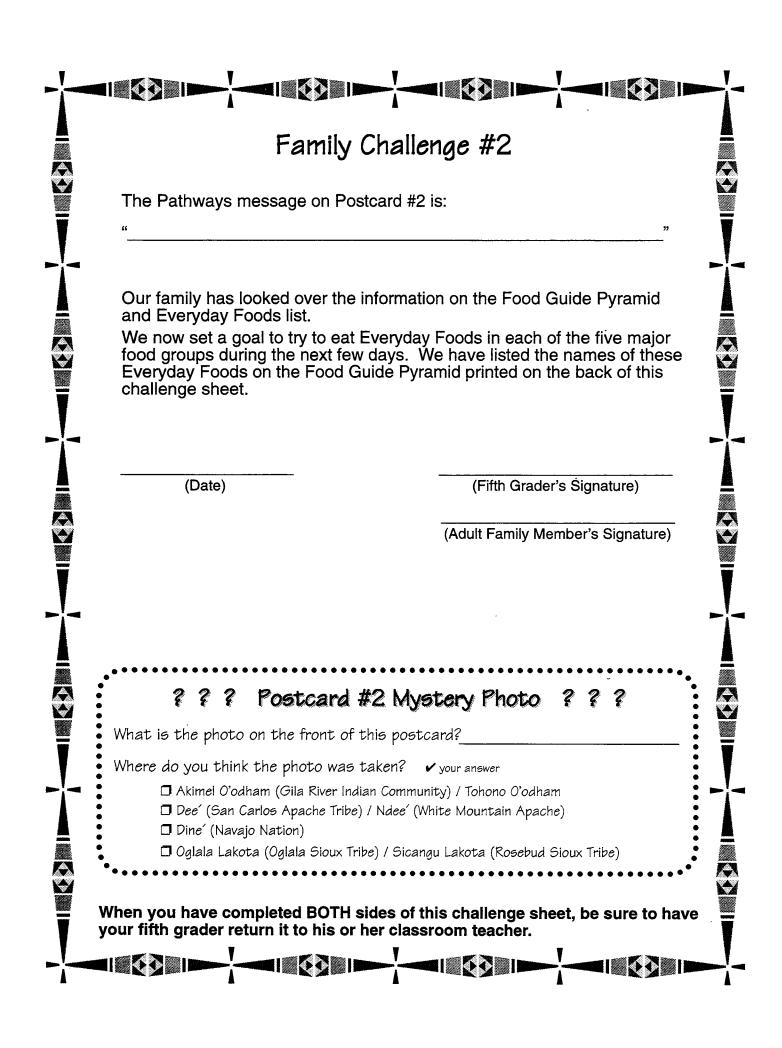
- Sign the challenge sheet.
- Be sure your fifth grader takes the sheet back to the classroom to help him or her qualifiy for the special reward!

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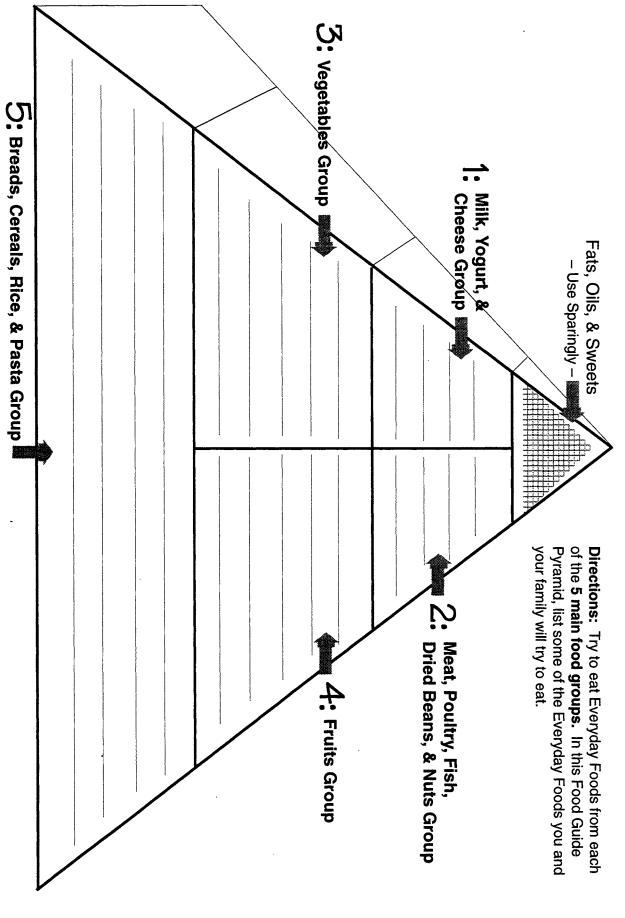
#### POSTCARD #2

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# Food Guide Pyramid





# Everyday Foods

- ※ foods that have little or no fat.
- ※ foods that are not fried.
- ※ foods that have little or no fat added when cooked or served.
- \* water, diet pop, or other beverages that have little or no added sugar.

# Vegetables

(fresh, frozen, canned, or dried)

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Meat, Poultry, Fish & Dried Beans

hot dogs labeled "low-fat" luncheon meat labeled "low-fat" lentils garbanzo (chick-peas) dried lima black (turtle) **Dried Beans** 

kidney

lean ground beef

heart

tepary (brown) split peas tepary (white)

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potatoes

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squash

sweet potatoes string beans

plums

pineapples

pears

oranges

Navajo melons

peaches

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mutton

mountain sheep

8 5 celery pangi (wild artichoke) onions green beans cucumbers cholla buds carrots lima beans lettuce hominy cauliflower cabbage broccol boiled potatoes asparagus grapefruits cantaloupes apricots juneberries grapes desert hackberries currents chokecherries cherries buffaloberries frozen fruit juice bars blueberries berries bananas appiesauce blackberries

lat-free – skim (fresh, canned, or dried) string Cheese

cheese labeled "low-fat" part-skim mozzarella processed cheese spread low-fat cottage cheese farmer cheese

Yogurt low-fat frozen yogurt low-fat yogurt

# Milk, Cheese & Yogurt

low-fat - 1% buttermilk skim evaporated low-fat - 1% chocolate fat-free – skim chocolate

zucchini wild turnips wild spinach wild onions wild mushrooms

All juices and sauces made from vegetables and fruits

wild strawberries

wild grapes wild bananas watermelons strawberries sandcherries wild asparagus wax beans

rose hips

orunes prickly pears pomegranates

wild celery

# Breads, Rice, Pasta & Cereals

Breads

soba oven bread bagels sandwich buns pita bread corn tortillas ash breads pancakes kneel-down bread kabubu bread French toast saltine crackers pretzels graham crackers ginger snaps cookies labeled "low-fat" animal crackers alkaad (puberty cake) air-popped popcom Crackers, Cookies, Cakes rice cakes fig bars Cracker Jacks

waffles taca shells vanila waters

Cereals yeast breads wheat (pinole) brown, white, and wild rice spaghetti macaroni Rice & Pasta

yellow cornmeal mush blue cornmeal mush all cereals



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Postcard #3
Family Challenge #3/Favorite Snacks
Food Label Information/Key Words on Food Labels
Seven Ways to Size Up Your Servings
Everyday Snacks
Envelope for Materials

#### " Choose Lower Fat Foods and Low Fat Milk!"

#### Benefits of Choosing Lower Fat Foods and Low Fat Milk:

- Gives you the energy you need to work and play hard.
- Can help you keep fit 'n trim.
- May lower your risk of diabetes and heart disease.

#### Suggestions to Help Your Family Choose Lower Fat Foods and Low Fat Milk:

- \* Remember to drain cooked ground meat and rinse it with hot water.
- \* Buy 1% or skim white or chocolate milk.
- \* Buy snacks that are labeled "low fat."

#### **FAMILY CHALLENGE #3**

- Look over the Food Label Information, Servings, and Everyday Snacks sheets.
- List your family's favorite snack foods on your Challenge #3 sheet, and then write down the amount of fat per serving in each of the snack foods.
- Circle all of the snack foods that contain 3 g of fat or less per serving.
- Challenge your family to choose only Everyday Snacks to eat this week.

#### After you complete your Family Challenge #3:

- Sign the challenge sheet.
- Be sure your fifth grader takes the sheet back to the classroom to help him or her qualifyy for the special reward!

(Photograph of Native Plants near Window Mountain)

#### **POSTCARD #3**

Photograph: Native plants (saguaro cacti & octillo) near Window Mountain



The Pathways message on Postcard	#3 is: 
Our family has looked over the inform Seven Ways to Size Up Your Servings have listed our favorite snacks on the with how much fat there is in each ser of the Everyday Snacks that contain 3 We now set a goal to try to choose or the next week. Some of these Everyday	s, and Everyday Snacks sheets. We back of this challenge sheet, along rving of the snack. We have circled a <b>g of fat or less per serving.</b> The shall be shown in the shall be shall b
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When you have completed BOTH sides of this challenge sheet, be sure to have your fifth grader return it to his or her classroom teacher.

#### Favorite Snacks

#### **Directions:**

- List your favorite packaged snacks in the chart below.
- Read the **Nutrition Facts** label on each snack's package to find out how many grams (g) of **Total Fat** are in each serving of the snack.
- Write the number of grams next to the snack.
- Circle all of your snacks that contain 3 g of fat or less.

Name of Snack	Number of grams (g) of Total Fat
example: corn chips	9 g
example: <b>pretzels</b>	1 g
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# Food Label\* Information

#### Food label title -

## **Nutrition Facts**

Serving Size 1/2 cup (114g) Servings Per Container 4

Number of grams (g) of fat in each serving of this food

Nutrients affecting your health with the amount in grams (g) or milligrams (mg) listed

Daily amounts of nutrients based on 2000 and 2500 calorie daily food intake

Amount Per Servi	ng	
Calories 90	Calories from I	Fat 30
	% Daily V	alue*
Total Fat 3g		5%
Saturated Fat 0	g	0%
Cholesterol Omg		0%
Sodium 300mg		13%
Total Carbohydra	te 13g	4%
Dietary Fiber 3	g	12%
Sugars 3g		
Protein 3g	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Vitamin A 80%	Vitamin C	60%
Calcium 4%	• Iron	4%

Percent Daily Values are based on a 2,000 calorie diet. Your daily values may be higher or lower depending on your calorie needs:

	Calories	2,000	2,500
Total Fat	Less than	65g	80g
Sat Fat	Less than	20g	25g
Cholesterol	Less than	300mg	300 mg
Sodium	Less than	2400mg	2400mg
Total Carbohydrate		300g	375g
Fiber		25g	30g

Calories per gram:

Fat 9 • Carbohydrates 4 • Protein 4

Serving size stated in commonly served portions

Daily Value is a guide to a day's intake of each nutrient

% Daily Value shows each nutrient in this food product as part of a 2000 calorie daily intake. For example, this product provides 5% of the Daily Value of fat per 1/2 cup serving

# Key Words on Food Labels

"Fat Free" —— No fat (or only a very little amount of of fat).

"Low-Fat" —— 3 grams (g) or less of fat per serving.

"Low-Calorie"— 40 calories or less per serving.

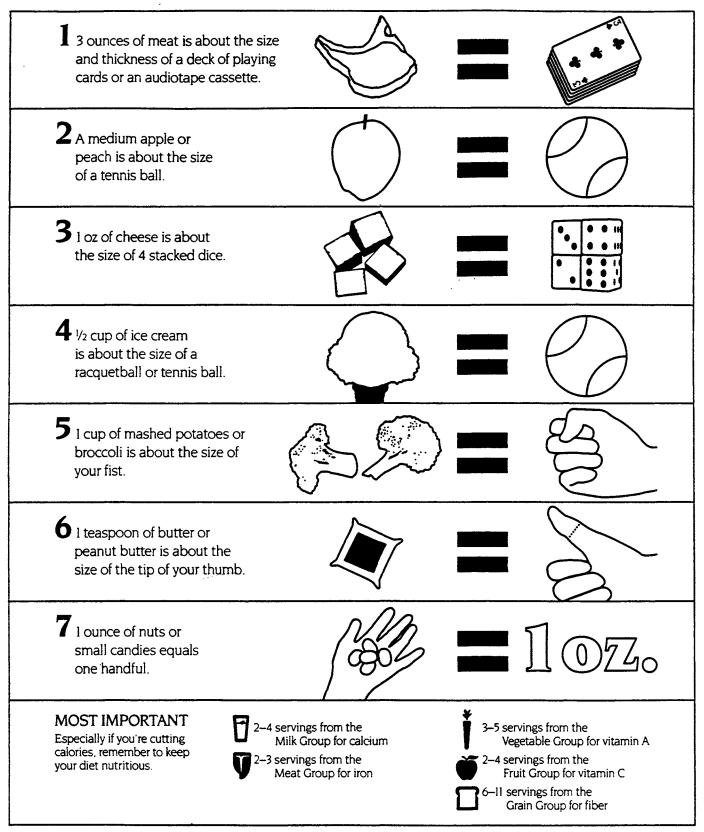
"Reduced or less"

"Light" ———— 1/3 less calories or no more than 1/2 the fat of the higher-calorie, higher-fat version.

#### SEVEN WAYS TO SIZE UP YOUR SERVINGS

Measure food portions so you know exactly how much food you're eating.

When a food scale or measuring cups aren't handy, you can still estimate your portion. Remember:





# Everyday Snacks

## Fruits & Vegetables

Fresh fruits

100% fruit juices

Canned fruits

Dried fruits

Frozen 100% fruit juice bars

Fresh vegetables

Vegetable juices

## Milk, Yogurt & Cheese

String cheese

Low-fat yogurt

Low-fat dip

Low-fat - 1% milk

Fat-free – skim milk

Frozen low-fat yogurt

Low-fat ice cream

### Breads, Rice, Pasta & Cereals

Pretzels

Animal crackers

Crackers labeled "low-fat"

Graham crackers

Fig bars

Ginger snaps

Vanilla wafers

Cookies labeled "low-fat"

Rice cakes

Air-popped popcorn

Chips labeled "low" or "non-fat" -

like potato, corn. and tortilla

Granola bars labeled "low-fat"

Cereals



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The following items are distributed by the teacher:

Postcard #4 Family Challenge #4/Pathways Points Envelope for Materials

#### " Sharing the Best of Pathways! "

#### Pathways Pointers for You and Your Family to Remember:

- Challenge Yourself Physically.
- Choose a Variety of Everyday Foods and Beverages.
- Exercise with Family and Friends.
- ◆ Eat Lower Fat Foods and Drink Low Fat Milk.
- Do Something Active Every Day.
- ♥ Eat More Fruits and Vegetables.

#### **FAMILY CHALLENGE #4**

- Look over the list of six Pathways Pointers.
- Think of ways you and your family can continue to do at least three of these pointers after Pathways has ended.
- List the ways you thought of on the back of your Challlenge #4 sheet.

#### After you complete your Family Challenge #4:

- Sign the challenge sheet.
- Be sure your fifth grader takes this final sheet back to the classroom to help him or her qualifiy for the special reward!

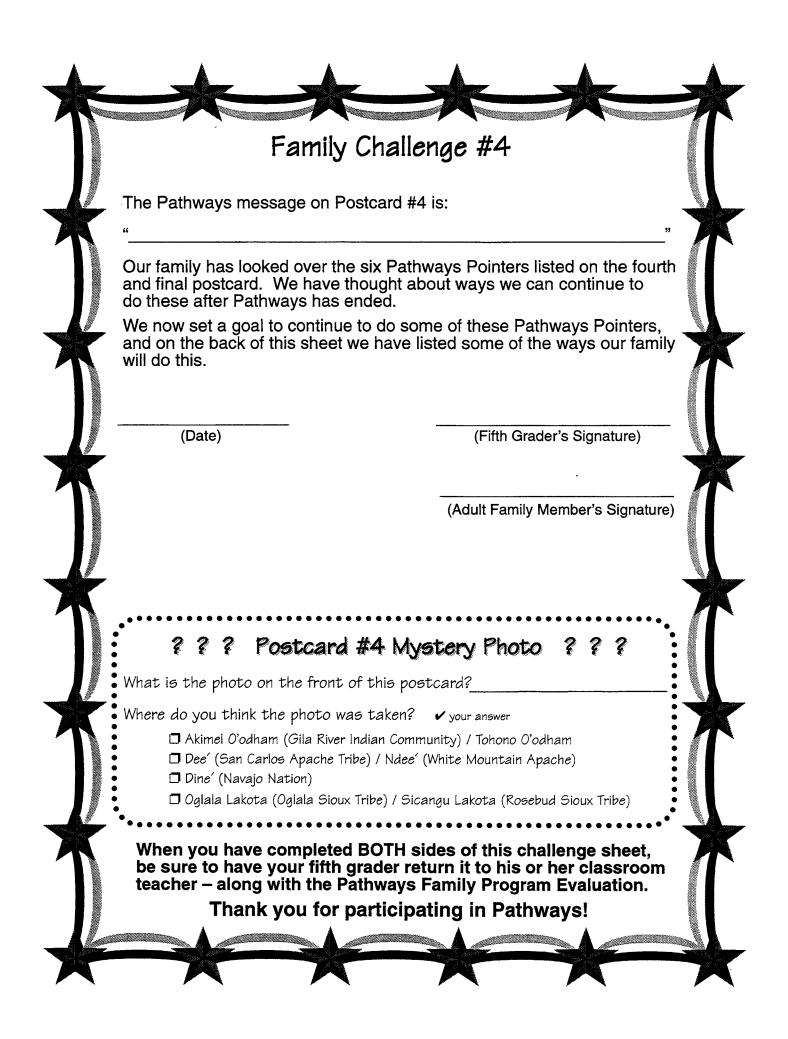
Thank you for participating in Pathways. Good health to you and your family!

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#### **POSTCARD #4**

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# Pathways Pointers

Put a by at least three of the pointers you will continue to do after Pathways ends, and then write down one or two things your family will try to do to achieve them:

┚	Challenge Yourself Physically
	Our family will do this by:
o	Choose a Variety of Everyday Foods and Beverages
	Our family will do this by:
	Exercise with Family and Friends
_	Our family will do this by:
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	Eat Lower Fat Foods and Drink Low Fat Milk
	Our family will do this by:
	Do Something Active Every Day
	Our family will do this by:
	Eat More Fruits and Vegetables
	Our family will do this by:

# Process for Ordering Food/Supplies for Classroom Snacks and Snack Packs

- 1. All food for classroom snacks and Family Snack Packs must be handled through the school kitchen with regard to food safety concerns.
- 2. Each school determines a Lead Teacher at the curriculum training.
- 3. The role of the Lead Teacher is to work with the other teachers to determine the date for the snack preparation activities in the classroom and coordinate the Food Requisition forms with other teachers.
- 4. Each classroom teacher is to complete the appropriate Food Requisition form for a snack preparation activity and give four copies of the form to the lead Teacher at least three (3) weeks before the snack activity in the classroom.
- 5. The Lead Teacher distributes these four copies as follows:

File Copy
Classroom Teacher
School Food Service Manager
Pathways Food Service Coordinator

- 6. The Lead Teacher at each school meets with the school Food Service Manager and the Pathways Food Service Coordinator (if necessary) at least three (3) weeks before the activities using the prepared Food Requisition Form.
- The school Food Service Manager will order the food.
- 8. The Lead Teacher will check with the Food Service Manager two days before the classroom activity to confirm that the food is available and establish the best time to send a student(s) to pick up the food items.
- 9. The Lead Teacher communicates with the classroom teacher to coordinate all these activities.

# Planning Overview Grade 5 Food and Snack Activities

This is a table to help the teacher with the planning for nutrition activities and in the ordering of foods and supplies for the classroom snacks and snack packs. These items are in the reminder boxes in each corresponding lesson; however, this checklistmay be useful as an overview. Fill in the dates so you know when and how to plan for your curriculum food activities.

Lesson	Date	Planning for Lessons
Week 1, Part A	•	Order foods and supplies for the Food Stations in Week 3, Part A.
Week 1, Part B	•	Ask students to bring in empty food packages or containers from home and place them in an assigned area of the classroom for Week 3, Part A.
Week 2, Part A		Contact Food Service and Pathways staff to select the food(s) and plan for preparation and/or tasting of the Pathways Nations Food in Week 5,Part A. Check with food service staff to be sure foods/supplies for the Food Stations in Week 3, Part A will be ready.  Remind students to bring in empty food packages for Week 3, Part A. Place a sign and a box in the office or teacher's lounge for staff to contribute empty food packages.
Week 2, Part B		Remind students to bring in empty food packages for Week 3, Part A. Place a sign and a box in the office or teacher's lounge for staff to contribute empty food packages.
Week 3, Part A		Write thank you notes to teachers who helped collect empty food packages. Order foods for Week 7, Part B, Fruit and Vegetable Snacks.
Week 4, Part B		Check with food service staff to be sure that the selected Pathways Nations Food will be ready in Week 5, Part A.
Week 5, Part A	•	With assistance from food service and/or Pathways staff, present at least one Pathways Nations Food in Activity #2 for preparation and/or tasting.
Week 5, Part B		Use empty food packages saved from Week 3. Optional: Use teaspoons, shortening, plastic cup for measuring fat.
Week 6, Part B	.	Check with food service staff to be sure the fruit and vegetable snacks will be ready in Week 7, Part A.  Use empty beverage containers for label reading from Week #3.  Check materials for food items to compare amounts of fat (raw potato, frozen french fries, potato chips) in Week 7, Part A.
Week 7, Part A		<ul> <li>Present 3 fruits and 3 vegetables for taste testing.</li> <li>Optional - paper hats and aprons for this taste testing activity.</li> </ul>