# FUELING EXERCISE

## Words of Wisdom

The purpose of pre-workout nutrition is to boost energy. The purpose of post workout nutrition is to support muscle recovery and replenish energy stores.

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If you are healthy & exercise regularly to maintain good health, eating a balanced meal 1-2 hrs before & after exercise is all you need to meet your workout nutrition needs. Pre & post workout nutrition needs change for endurance runners, & intense workouts

# **Evening Workout**

Research shows that 20 grams of protein is ideal within an hour post workout to maximize muscle building and increase fat loss.

# Morning Workout

Exercising before breakfast is a great way to start your day. Exercise stimulates the release of various brain chemicals that can lower stress and boost your mood.

# Mid-Day Workout

Using your lunch hour to workout is a great way to get through a long day and can keep your metabolism revved up throughout the afternoon.

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Exercise is beneficial at any time of day and has been shown to improve sleep quality. If you're headed home for dinner after your workout, no recovery snack is needed.

## Pre-Workout

Don't exercise on an empty stomach. Aim for a protein + carbohydrate 30

#### **CHOOSE:**

2 tbsp. almond butter + banana or hard boiled egg + fruit

# Pre-Workout

Snack about 1 hour before your workout.

#### CHOOSE:

½ cup Greek yogurt + ½ cup fruit or 1 oz. nuts + ¼ cup dried fruit or 2 oz. turkey + 1 oz. cheese

## Pre-Workout

Grab an energy boost 30-60 minutes before.

#### CHOOSE:

Fruit + 1 oz. cheese, energy bites or nut based bar like RXBAR or KIND bar

### Post Workout

Refuel with lean protein + complex carbohydrates.

#### **CHOOSE:**

WW toast + egg white veggie omelet or Greek yogurt smoothie or 1 cup oatmeal + 2 tbsp. nuts + ½ cup fruit

## Post Workout

Refuel with a Wellness Works lunch in the café.

#### CHOOSE:

Water, seltzer or unsweetened tea + 4 - 6 oz. lean protein + 1 cup veggies or salad + ½ cup whole grain or fruit

## Post Workout

A balanced dinner is ideal, but if dinner is delayed choose a protein packed snack.

#### CHOOSE:

1 cup chocolate milk or Greek yogurt