## Boardmaker Activities-to-Go Teacher Guide

# Theme: Life Skills | Unit: Food Choices

Big Idea: It is important to make healthy snack choices.

#### **Order of Activities**

Main Activities	<ol> <li>Hidden Picture/Web</li> <li>Vocabulary</li> <li>Book</li> <li>Matching/Sorting/Poll Writing</li> <li>Recipe-Craft</li> <li>Bingo</li> <li>Board Game</li> </ol>
Supports	<ul><li>8. Activity Schedule</li><li>9. Communication Board</li><li>10. Classroom Support</li><li>11. Student Reward Chart</li><li>12. Quiz</li></ul>
Speech & Language	13. Find an Object 14. Following Directions

### Vocabulary

Level A	<ol> <li>healthy</li> <li>peel</li> <li>snack</li> <li>cheese</li> </ol>
Level B	<ol> <li>healthy</li> <li>bone</li> <li>rainbow</li> <li>heart</li> </ol>
Level C	1. healthy 2. vitamins 3. brain 4. delicious

#### **Suggested Books**

- What to Eat? Healthy Treat! By Lisa Corbett
- Healthy Snacks for Kids Cookbook by Martha Bakeman
- https://tarheelreader.org/2009/09/18/what-is-a-healthysnack-2/

### **Learning Tips**

**Read it Again:** Repetition boosts comprehension, expression and engagement. The more we practice, the more independent our learner becomes.

- Each time you turn the page of a book or do an activity, pause and offer an open-ended comment. Then wait for and expect participation.
- Each time you complete the Recipe-Craft, wait for them to tell you the next step or have them tell a friend.

**Introduce New Words:** The more words we expose them to, the more they will know, use and understand.

- Use the search and edit features in Snap Core First\* to find or add targeted words.
- If you can't find a word like blob, talk around it! Find words that describe it, like soft, blue or silly.

**Extend Thematic Learning:** Notice when your student is particularly engaged by a topic. Extend that learning by creating books or activities that relate to it.

 Sign up for a FREE trial of Boardmaker Online (<u>boardmakeronline.com</u>) and use our templates to create your own books, matching activities, schedules and more!

\*Snap Core First is a symbol-based communication software brought to you by Tobii Dynavox.

#### **Communication Tips**

**Be Prepared:** Make sure their communication system is always available to both you and your AAC communicator.

 If you are using the attached low-tech communication board, review the location of core words, so you have a general idea where to find them.

**Show Them:** Point to words as you say them. It's amazing how often we use core words

- Go Slow; it's okay for you to learn along with them.
   They'll use it if you do.
- Print your own Communication Board or Download the Snap Core First Companion App.

**Now You Find It:** The more you know about a communication system, the more you can support the use of it.

- The SEARCH feature in Snap Core First is an easy way to quickly locate words. Help your student search for and find new words in the word list.
- If you're using the low-tech board, go to Boardmaker Online to create/customise any page.

