

## YOURHEALTH \& MATTERS!



## Childhood Obesity




Santa Estrella, teacher at Brownsville Early College High School, encourages her students to be physically active each day, beyond their regular activities in P.E. class. She believes physical activity helps students be more attentive and focused in the classroom.
"I always tell my students to be physically active, exercise and eat healthy," Ms. Estrella said. "I've even asked them to take their parents to do exercise with them. Parents also need to be involved."

Ms. Estrella enrolled students in the Make Your Move Experience, which challenges participants to keep track of their miles in walking, running and cycling to earn a prize for their school.
"I asked the students to be attentive to all the exercise they do every day," Ms. Estrella said. "A lot of times, they're not aware of their daily activity. It encourages them to know."

For more information about Make Your Move Experience, please visit www.facebook.com/mymergv

How to make healthy eating patterns for your kids

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HEALTHY RECIPE: BANANA SMOOTHIE PANCAKES INGREDIENTS:

2/3 cup flour, whole wheat $1 / 2$ teaspoon baking soda Cooking spray
large eggs
1/4 cup milk
$1 / 4$ cup Greek yogurt, plain

## PREPARATION:

1. Add all ingredients into a blender and blend well
2. Heat a large skillet over medium heat and grease with cooking spray. 3. Pour batter onto skillet to make pancakes of desired size (smaller work better). When the edges begin to brown, carefully flip pancake and cook the other side. 4. Serve warm with fruit, yogurts, peanut butter or other desired condiments.

## Screen Time - Rules to Follow


 Check the videos and games they play.
(Music, encourages movement, play)


Watch with them

help them apply what they
are seeing to real life

Too much screen time has been linked to:
Obesity
Trouble sleeping
Violence
Loss of social skills Behavior problems

