

Hello Frost Families! 2023-2024

My name is Mandy Hawkins and I am a nutrition educator with the University of Maryland Extension's SNAP-Ed program. I am excited to be partnering with Frost Elementary to help your child learn and grow in a healthy environment. This year, I will be providing activities that help children move more, select and taste healthy foods, and drink more water.

Teaching healthy habits is a team effort! Here are some ways you can get involved.

Take action at home!

- Ask your child about the nutrition lessons and healthy foods they try in the classroom and cafeteria.
- Visit <u>extension.umd.edu/eatsmart</u> to access hundreds of healthy recipes, plus a blog with tips for staying healthy and active. Use the Google Translate button to view content in your preferred language.
- Follow your school's electronic communications to see what is happening in the classroom, throughout the school, and in your neighborhood.
- Choose, cook, and try new foods together as a family.

Take action at school!

- Send your child to school with a reusable, filled water bottle each day.
- Participate in school meals. Read the menu together, and look for new foods to try!
- Ask your child's teacher for ways you can support a healthy, active classroom.

I look forward to seeing you at school-wide events and sharing exciting learning activities with your child.

See you at school!

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Follow Maryland SNAP-Ed for family-friendly healthy eating and physical activity tips

Let's connect!







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