Yeled V’Yalda WIC Program is proud to introduce a brand new nutrition initiative for our participants:

**Healthy Start Program - Start your day with a Healthy Start**

Our goal is to encourage our participants to start every day with a healthy choice. Breakfast is the most important meal of the day. A healthy breakfast can make the difference in your entire day because a nutritious food at the start of your day starts your day off healthy and leaves you more productive. Starting your day with physical activity will leave you feeling healthier and more energetic throughout the day. Physical activity can be something as small as climbing the steps instead of taking the elevator, or running with your kids to the bus stop.

**How does the Healthy Start Choice Program work?**

Every Yeled V’Yalda WIC participant will receive a Healthy Start Planner and pen at their nutrition education appointment to document their daily Healthy Start Choices. The weekly planner will help you assess and review your Healthy Start Choices by serving as your very own journal. Healthy start breakfast and physical activity choices can be found in your planner on the left side.

In addition to improving the overall nutrition and diet of our participants the Yeled V’Yalda WIC program is offering an additional benefit to documenting Healthy Start Choices. Participants arriving for the following appointment presenting the nutritionist with a completed week of Healthy Start breakfast and physical activity choices in the Healthy Start Planner receive a Healthy Start bowl and cereal box, graciously sponsored by General Mills.

For more information call the Yeled V’Yalda WIC office at (718) 686-3799

**Remember: Healthy Choices are the Right Start to a Healthy Day!**

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Healthy Choices – Start Your Day with a Healthy Start

The following is a guide to a variety of Healthy Start Food Choices:

- Whole Grain Cold and Hot Cereals, Crackers and Breads
- Skim and Low Fat Milk
- Low Fat Yogurt, cottage cheese and fat-free cheese
- Vegetable Omelets
- Egg Whites

- Cut up melon, such as cantaloupe, honey dew, and watermelon
- Strawberries and blueberries
- Pineapple
- Oranges
- Peanut Butter
- Dark Green Leafy Vegetables, peppers, cherry tomatoes, carrot sticks

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The following is a guide to a variety of Healthy Start Activity Choices:

- Race your children to the bus stop and jog in place while waiting
- Put your baby in the carriage and go for a walk
- Put on some music and dance around the house while straightening up
- Need to go to work? Get off the bus or train one stop early or park your car a few blocks further and walk the rest of the way
- Take the stairs instead of the elevator