

Extension - Nutrition Education Program

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# **EAT BETTER FOR LESS**

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# **Moving Ahead During American Diabetes Month**

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), more than 34 million people in the United States have diabetes, and 1 in 5 of them don't know they have it. Diabetes is a chronic (long-lasting) disease that affects how your body turns food into energy. American Diabetes Month helps bring attention to diabetes and its impact on millions of Americans.



#### Some of the early signs and symptoms of diabetes are:

- Increased thirst
- Irritability
- **Frequent urination**
- Blurred vision
- Extreme hunger

Fatigue

- Slow-healing sores
- loss
  - Unexplained weight Frequent infections, such as gums or skin infections and vaginal infections

If you are experiencing these symptoms, talk to your doctor.

#### Living with diabetes? You can still enjoy your Thanksgiving feast. Try these ideas:

- Roast your turkey rather than fry it.
- Enjoy appetizers with lots of vegetables. Stick to green veggies rather than starchy, carbohydrate-heavy options.
- Stay well hydrated throughout the day.
- Be aware of the amount of alcohol you consume. Alcoholic drinks are usually full of carbs and can interact with certain medications.
- After the meal, get the family or friends together to take a walk before enjoying a Thanksgiving nap.



#### Crustless Pumpkin Pie Ingredients

- 3/4 cup sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1/2 cup baking mix
- 1 can (15 ounce) pumpkin
- 1 can (12 ounce) nonfat evaporated milk
  - 31/2 teaspoons pumpkin pie spice
- 2 teaspoons vanilla

#### Directions

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Lightly oil or spray a 9-10" pie plate. 2. Combine all ingredients in a medium

bowl or a blender.

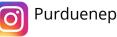
- 3. Beat 2 minutes with mixer until smooth
- or blend one minute on high.
- 4. Pour into pie plate.
- 5. Bake 55-65 minutes, or until knife
- inserted into center comes out clean.
- 6. Cool slightly and refrigerate. Serve cold.
- Refrigerate leftovers within 2 hours.

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