

Dear Teachers & Staff:

Our school will be participating in a special Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program for the 2018-2019 school year. We will be offering fresh fruits and vegetables in the classroom as snacks. We are excited to have been awarded this grant to provide our <u>(Name of School)</u> School children with healthy, nutritious foods. The NJ Department of Agriculture awarded this program to only 145 schools throughout the state. We are privileged to have received this grant!

<u>(# of Days)</u> days each week your students will enjoy a fruit or vegetable in the classroom. In order for this program to be a success we are asking for your help!

We need you to be role models by implementing the following:

- ❖ Join in with your students and eat the fruit or veggie snack.
- ❖ Highlight the importance of eating healthy fruits and veggies.
- ❖ Emphasize trying veggies even though your students may think their yucky. Persuade your students to take a small taste.
- Encourage your students to eat fruits & veggies at home during meal times and for snacks.

The goals of the fruit and vegetable program are as follows:

- ✓ Increase Children's Fruit & Vegetable Consumption
- ✓ Create Healthier Schools
- ✓ Promote Wellness
- ✓ Change Children's Diets to Impact their Future Health

We hope you will extend these goals in your classroom. This program will benefit the health and well-being of our students! Students look up to you! As their teacher and adult role model you can make a difference in their future health. Please support this program and make our school shine! Thank you for your support!

Principal			