EFNEP Impacts 2015-2016.

THE EXPANDED FOOD AND NUTRITION EDUCATION PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND

Since 1968, EFNEP has brought much needed nutrition education to eligible families and students at schools, churches and community agencies. The goal of EFNEP in Rhode Island is to help Rhode Islanders with limited resources achieve lifelong health and fitness. Our primary target audiences are families with young children and youth in the school system. EFNEP classes reach a wide range of participants and foster true behavior change. We are grateful to the terrific community agencies who partner with us and contribute to our success.



Praise for EFNEP from graduates:

2015-2016 Statewide Impacts:

80% of graduates improved how they manage their food dollars in at least one area:



planned meals in advance more often



ran out of food before the end of the month less often



compared prices when shopping more often



used a list for grocery shopping more often

"I really liked it. It gave me ways to feed my daughter. I am now seeing a nutritionist from my doctor because I am more aware of it. My daughter is more aware too." -Carla (pictured below with her daughters)

"At first I didn't like it, but as I kept coming I learned a lot. I thought I could just eat anything. The food was so tasty. So glad we came." - A father

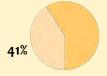
"I have been trying to lose weight. I especially like the tips about shopping with a list and planning your meals. It's really helpful." Lovelene



58% of graduates made improvements in at least one food safety practice:



followed recommended practices more often by not allowing meat and dairy foods to sit out more than 2 hours

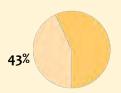


followed recommended practices more often by not thawing foods at room temperature

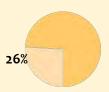
77% of graduates had better nutrition practices in at least one area:



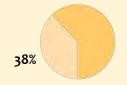
planned meals in advance more often



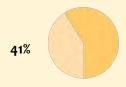
prepared foods without adding salt more often



reported that their children ate breakfast more often



thought about healthy choices more often when deciding what to feed their family



used the "Nutrition Facts" on food labels more often to make food choices

Percentage of EFNEP graduates with improved nutrition based on intake



Improved their intake of vegetables



Improved their intake of whole grains



Improved their intake of fruit

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Improved their intake in SoFAS (Solid Fats and Added Sugars) Participants
ate 1/3 more
cups of fruits
and vegetables
at exit.

2.70



*Improvement indicates positive change towards recommendations for age, gender, and activity level.

PARTICIPANT DATA **Total Participants** 2,793 Male 1,225 1,541 Female PARTICIPANTS BY RACE AND ETHNICITY 1,276 Caucasian 410 African American 18 Native American or Alaska Native Asian 110 124 Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander Two or more races 132 Race not provided 705 Hispanic/Latino ethnicity (any race) 872 PARTICIPANTS BY AGE OR GRADE LEVEL Adult participants Age 17 or younger 22 Age 18 to 20 Age 21 to 29 147 176 Age 30 to 39 94 Age 40 to 49 68 Age 50 to 59 Age 60 and over 19 69 Not provided 596 Total adult participants Youth participants Kindergarten to 2nd grade 624 3rd to 5th grade 1,503 6th to 8th grade 9th to 12th grade O Special 12 Total youth participants 2,143

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