

HOLD ON TO YOUR CHEF'S HAT.

IT'S TIME TO



WITH THE POWERUP SCHOOL CHALLENGE.

The **PowerUp** School Challenge is back and ready to help kids sharpen their chef skills and Try for Five! This year's Challenge will have kids and families stirring, chopping, whisking and mixing their way to tune up their taste buds and earn the title of Power Chef!

Over the next few months, more than 40 schools across the St. Croix Valley will spend three weeks trying and tracking their fruits and veggies. The Challenge will also help kids discover and explore where our fruits and veggies come from — the farm, to the store, to their plate — with lots of fun food experiments, chef secrets and magic in between.

3 OUT OF 4 respondents to the parent and teacher survey say that because of the School Challenge their **KIDS ARE TRYING MORE FRUITS AND VEGGIES.**

EARN DOLLARS FOR YOUR SCHOOL!

Did you know your school can earn PowerUp Bucks just for participating in the School Challenge? PowerUp Bucks can be used for wellness supplies/ equipment, such as cross country skis, climbing walls, gym equipment and more.

YOUR FAMILY CAN JOIN IN THE CHALLENGE TOO!

- Watch for this Power Pack magazine in your child's backpack
- Start practicing the Power chef skills found inside and get the whole family excited about trying fruits and veggies
- Master all 10 chef skills and earn the title of Power Chef, plus become a member of our Power Chef Club
- LOOK INSIDE your Power Pack for all the details



MARK YOUR CALENDAR! LOOK INSIDE TO FIND A CALENDAR FULL OF FUN WAYS TO POWERUP THIS WINTER!

POWERUP YOUR FAMILY'S CALENDAR THIS WINTER!

ALL EVENTS are FREE or low cost. Find times, location and all the details at powerup4kids.org.





Make sure to remove its core.

• Place cauliflower in a food processor or blender

and pulse it until it is "crumbled" or a "rice"

In a large saucepan, heat 1-inch of water until

for 4 - 5 minutes. Watch closely so it doesn't

• Use a fine mesh strainer to drain the cauliflower.

place in in a clean dish towel or paper toweland

squeeze to remove excess water.

Allow cauliflower to cool for a few minutes, then

boiling. Add in the cauliflower, cover, and steam

consistency (or can use a hand grater).

3. Crumble the cauliflower:

· 1 cup part-skim

cheese, shredded

• 1 teaspoon dried basil

or 1 teaspoon fresh

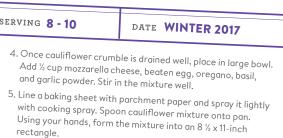
garlic, minced

mozzarella, shredded

• ½ cup shredded Parmesan

• 1 teaspoon dried oregano

• ½ teaspoon garlic powder



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Family

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PowerUp!

* Requires registration

at powerup4kids.org.

- 6. Place in the oven for 30 minutes or until crust is golden brown and firm.
- 7. Remove it from the oven and top it with remaining mozzarella and Parmesan cheese
- 8. Return to oven to bake for another 5-10 minutes or until cheeses are melted.
- Use as pizza crust or cut into sticks and serve with a warm marinara sauce for dipping.

BRRRR IT'S COLD OUTSIDE...

[BUT YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE!]

Stay toasty warm (and dry) from head to toe while being active outdoors, with these tips:

Protect your ears, cheeks, hands and toes from frostbite!

- Ears: wear a hat or headband to protect your ears
 - Cheeks and Chin: wear a scarf or neck warmer that can be pulled up around your face
 - Hands: mittens tend to be warmer than gloves because they trap body heat by keeping your fingers together
 - Toes: Wear wool socks or other thermal, moisture-wicking socks to keep your feet warm and dry





Frostbite is when your skin is exposed to extreme cold for too long. It actually freezes your skin. Keep your fingers, toes, ears, cheeks, chin and nose covered and protected when you're out in the cold because these are the parts that get frostbit the most.

DRESS LIKE AN ONION... IN LAYERS!

Layers help to insulate and trap your body heat, plus it allows you to remove layers if you get too warm.

- Base Layer (against your skin) to keep you dry. Wear fabric like polypropylene or other synthetic material, silk or wool.
- Insulation Layer— to keep you warm. Choose wool, fleece, down or fiber-filled jacket
- Shell Layer to shield you from the wind and wet. Choose an outer protective jacket.

COTTON IS ROTTEN! WHAT?

Okay, not all the time, but wearing cotton against your skin when your active outdoors can leave you wet and cold. Why? Because cotton soaks up moisture. To stay warm and dry wear fabric that wicks moisture away from your skin.