Healthy Serving Ideas
• Cut a pear in half and remove the core. Fill the center of each half with all-natural peanut butter or lowfat yogurt. Sprinkle with granola and cinnamon for a healthy snack.
• Add sliced pears to spinach salads.
• Enjoy a whole pear for an afternoon snack.
• Talk with your child about other fruits and vegetables that are in season. Find a recipe and make it together.

For more ideas, visit: www.calpear.com

How Much Do I Need?
• A ¼ cup of sliced pears is about half of one pear. This is about the size of one cupped handful.
• A ½ cup of sliced pears has fiber and vitamin C.
• Fiber is a complex carbohydrate. It helps keep food in your stomach longer so that you feel full. It may help lower the risk of high blood pressure, heart disease, stroke, and some types of cancer.

The amount of fruits and vegetables you need depends on your age, gender, and physical activity level. Look at the chart below to find out how much each person in your family needs to eat. All forms count toward the daily amount – fresh, frozen, canned, and dried. Make a family plan to eat the recommended amount each day.

Recommended Daily Amount of Fruits and Vegetables**

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*If you are active, eat the higher number of cups per day. Visit www.mypyramid.gov to learn more.

Let’s Get Physical!
• Walk to the grocery store with your child. On the way home, do arm curls with the lighter grocery bags.
• If you have to drive, park the car farther away than normal and walk the rest of the way.

For more physical activity ideas, visit: www.healthierus.gov/exercise.html