Food Education Workshop, May 2023

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About Rebecca

Provided food programming for all ages in public libraries across three states; serves as volunteer chef instructor for the Lowcountry Food Bank in Charleston for the past 8 years; helped create the statewide food literacy initiative Read Eat Grow for the SC State Library; has experience in the food and beverage industry; currently taking classes at the Culinary Institute of Charleston and working for the Lowcountry Street Grocery while growing an independent consulting business for food education!

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About food education

Food education, food literacy, culinary literacy

Health Literacy would take another day to talk about

Food access, food equity, food deserts

Important! The public library provides access to information, we are not necessarily responsible for feeding the community. Be aware of mission creep, this is why partnerships are so vital.

Simon Sinek's Start with Why

Turkey Tacos - Cooking Matters

Ingredients:	Materials:
1 medium carrot, small sweet potato, or small zucchini	Box grater
1/4 medium head lettuce	Can opener
2 large tomatoes	
7 ounces cheddar cheese	Colander
1 (15 ½ ounce) can low sodium pinto beans	Cutting board
1 pound lean ground turkey	
1 (15 ½ ounce) can chopped tomatoes, no salt added	Large skillet
1 Tablespoon chili powder	Measuring spoons
1 teaspoon garlic powder	
1 teaspoon dried oregano	Sharp knife
½ teaspoon salt	Vegetable peeler
½ teaspoon ground black pepper	

Health and Safety

Department of Health and Human Services - Food Protection

- Oversees food safety statewide
- Provides training, mainly f/b

Extension Services

- 1. ServSafe Certification
- 2. Program partner
- 3. Free training

Health and Safety

What does this mean for my library?

- Three sink system
- Sanitation tablets
- Sink availability
- Cross contamination
- Gloves, etc
- Ingredients
- Common allergens
- Preparation & Transparency











Kitchen Management

Dividing jobs

Taking Questions

Nutrition Swamps



- Calories: 51
- **Fat**: 0.3g
- Sodium: omg
- Carbohydrates: 12.4g
- Fiber: 1.9g
- Sugars: 10.9g
- Protein: 1.2g
- Vitamin A: 20.8mcg
- Vitamin C: 8.6mg
- Vitamin E: 0.9mg

You don't have to do it all



Partnerships

Big Picture

- Food banks
- Community gardens
- Local restaurants
- Grocery stores or food co-ops
- School district
- Farmer's Markets
- Charlie Cart Project

Local

State Extension Agents

Cooking Matters local agency

Stats

Almost 1 out of 12 people are food insecure

62% of the population is overweight

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What I can do: training for library staff regarding all types of food programming, partnership facilitation, etc.

