

# **UTTC LAND GRANT EXTENSION**

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## Nurturing Our Families with Food Pop

Water was the original Native soft drink. Today pop and other high sugar beverages have replaced water. A 12-ounce can of pop has about 155 calories, is high in sugar, and provides no nutrition for our bodies.

### Do you know how much sugar is in a 12-ounce can of regular pop?

• One can of regular pop has between 9 to 12 teaspoons of sugar.

#### How much sugar is that in a day?

 If you drink three cans (12-ounce) each day, you will drink 36 teaspoons or 12 tablespoons of sugar each day.

#### How much sugar is that in a month?

- If you drink three cans or 12 tablespoons of sugar each day, you drink 360 tablespoons (22 ½ cups) of sugar each month.
- There are about 20 cups of sugar in a 10-pound bag. That means if you drink three cans of pop each day for one month, you will drink 10 pounds of sugar!

#### How much sugar is that in a year?

- By drinking three cans of pop each day, you will consume 120 pounds of sugar in one year.
- Those 120 pounds of sugar will provide your body with 208,980 calories.
- Those calories may add over 35 pounds of unwanted fat to your body.

#### Drink more water!

Water is calorie free, fat free, and sugar free! Serve the best beverage possible! Have a glass today!

