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June 2015

Monthly Contest



Announcing the June Patient Contest

It's Summer!



The doctors and staff at Alligator Dental have decorated tubes to celebrate!

VOTE for your favorite tube for a chance to win a Giant Inflatable Gator & Awesome Gator Summer Gear!



Awesome Advice From Dr. Al~

Fight Cavities as a Team!



Dr. Al Burns

Often as I am finishing an exam a parent will tell me something like:

"Will you mention to them to not sneak candy because it will give them cavities"

or

"Tell them that those Fire Cheetos and Takis are bad for their teeth".

Is this true and what do I say? For those parents who listen closely there are two things I generally will then proceed to explain.

1 – Most cavities in kids are caused by liquids – not foods. However, the wrong food in combination with too much time on the teeth (not enough brushing) will lead to decay. Truth is that a child could probably eat candy several times a day and if they brushed after each time they would likely not get cavities. (Same with Fire Cheetos and Takis for that matter.) So realistically I tell the child that first they should cut back on that yummy stuff a bit and then increase their brushing when they want to really snack it up.

2 – Once I talk with the kids I turn my attention to the parent. Most kids don't have the income to purchase all the candy and snacks they want. It is usually the parent or relative that is doing that shopping. So the best way for your child to cut back is to eliminate them from your home and not purchase them. Or purchase fewer.



Cavities in kids are generally a group effort, just like fighting them is.

Let's keep fighting them together as a team!

Gators in Action:



Alligator Dental is proud sponsor of the Navarro Education Foundation Duck Fest 2015!

Contributing to the enhancement of education for children in our community remains one of the top projects of Alligator Dental.





Congratulations to all the amazing artists who entered the coloring contest and received a free slushie from Alligator Dental!

Recipe: Mississippi Mud Pie

~Compliments of Cassandra from Alligator Dental in Seguin

Ingredients:

- 1 9-in. prepared chocolate crust
- 1 cup powdered sugar
- 1 cup Semi-Sweet chocolate chips
- 1/4 cup butter or margarine, cut up
- 1/4 cup heavy whipping cream
- 2 Tablespoons light corn syrup
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- ¾ cup chopped nuts, divided
- 2 pints vanilla ice cream, slightly softened

Directions:

- 1. Heat sugar, chocolate chips, cream and corn syrup in small heavy-duty saucepan over low heat. Stir constantly until butter is melted and mixture is smooth. Remove from heat.
- 2. Stir in vanilla; cool until slightly warm.
- 3. Drizzle 1/3 cup chocolate mixture in bottom of crust; sprinkle with $\frac{1}{4}$ cup nuts.
- 4. Layer 1 pint ice cream, scooping thin slices with a large spoon, freeze 1 hour. Repeat.
- 5. Drizzle with remaining chocolate & top with nuts. Freeze 2 hours.



Meet Maria Mendez-Davila



Dental Assistant at Alligator Dental in Seguin!

Position at Alligator Dental and what you really do:

I am a Dental Assistant and pretty much a floater with being certified with N2O in office treatment, Coronal Polisher and Dental Sealants. I also enjoy being a Baby Appointment Specialist and do most of the Lab duties.

Favorite Thing about working at Alligator Dental:

Helping the kids have an awesome visit! It brings me joy to see the kids walk out of the office with a smile on their face.

Family Info:

I am blessed to have the best husband named Ray and mother to 7 boys and 3 girls. We also have a Shih Tzu named Scruffy and a plump cat named Patches.

Favorite Place to Eat in Seguin: Great Wall

Favorite Store to shop at: HEB

Something Unique about me:

I love to socialize! I love to talk with the kids who come into Alligator Dental.

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