



## Get 8-14 Hours of Sleep

Healthy sleep habits are important for your well-being.

### Why is Sleep Important?

Sleep helps you:

- Stay focused and calm.
- Manage your emotions.
- Learn and achieve in school.
- Boost your immune system to fight germs.
- Stay physically and mentally strong.

### Model Healthy Sleep Habits

Kids learn by watching.  
Are you staying up too late and waking up tired?  
What can you change to get better sleep?



### How Much Sleep Do I Need?

Age	Hours of Sleep Per Night (+ day for young children)
4 -12 months	12 -16 hours (including naps)
1 -2 years	11 -14 hours (including naps)
3 -5 years	10 -13 hours (including naps)
6 -12 years	9 -12 hours
13 -18 years	8 -10 hours
18 - 60+ years	7+ hours

### Healthy Sleep Habits

#### Consistency & Predictability

- Help children sleep better by setting regular bed and wake times for everyone to follow.
- Avoid screens one to two hours before bed, as they reduce melatonin, a hormone that regulates the sleep-wake cycle.
- Keep the bedroom dark and cool, between 60-67°F.
- Encourage daily activity and outdoor time to promote natural sleepiness.

