

## UNIVERSITY OF EVANSVILLE

# Office of Counseling Services

WELLNESS NEWSLETTER

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### **Featured Quote:**

A negative mind will never give you a positive life – Unknown

#### **Positive Self-Talk**

That little voice inside our head... It's the narrator of our life but can sometimes be plain *mean*. When this happens, it's time to make a shift for the positive! Here are some tips for more positive self-talk:

- Talk to yourself like a friend If you wouldn't say it to a friend, don't say it to yourself
- 2. **Play to your strengths** We all have strengths and weaknesses. Don't cry over your shortcomings and celebrate what you have to bring to the table
- 3. Build a positive and uplifting support system If we are surrounded by the negative, we will start to believe it.
  Surround yourself with people who support and encourage you
- 4. Challenge negative thoughts Are your thoughts really true? Does this even matter? What evidence is there to support this thought? Likely there is no validity to this negative self-talk

You are amazing! You just have to start treating yourself that way!

Who doesn't love a quick and healthy snack?! Here's a staff pick for something delicious!

## No Bake Energy Bites

#### Ingredients:

1 cup old fashioned oats

2/3 cup toasted shredded coconut (sweetened or unsweetened)

½ cup creamy peanut butter

½ cup ground flaxseed

½ cup semisweet chocolate chips

1/3 cup honey or agave

1 Tbsp chia seeds

1tsp vanilla extract

#### Instructions:

- Stir everything together in a large mixing bowl until combined
- 2. Chill in the fridge for 1-2 hrs. This will help it stick together better
- 3. Roll into balls about 1 inch in size
- Serve refrigerate in a sealed container for up to 1 week or freeze for up to 3 months

## Featured App: Affirmations

Affirmations you can use to break the negative, automatic thoughts. Google - 4.7★

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