## Dear Teenagers,

Taking care of your teeth is super important! Here are some effective brushing and flossing techniques to keep your smile healthy:

## **Brushing Techniques:**

- 1. Use a soft-bristled toothbrush.
- 2. Brush for at least two minutes, twice a day.
- 3. Angle your toothbrush at 45 degrees to your gums.
- 4. Use gentle, circular motions to brush the outer and inner surfaces.
- 5. Brush your tongue to remove bacteria and freshen your breath.

## **Flossing Techniques:**

- 1. Use about 18 inches of dental floss.
- 2. Wrap the ends around your fingers, leaving a few inches between them.
- 3. Gently slide the floss between your teeth, using a back-and-forth motion.
- 4. Curve the floss around the base of each tooth, making sure to go below the gumline.
- 5. Use a clean section of floss for each tooth.

Remember, maintaining good oral hygiene helps prevent cavities and gum disease. Make it a habit!

Best,

Your Dental Team