## Heatthy Banana Chocolate Chip Muffins

## Ingredients:

- 1/3 cup melted coconut oil or extravirgin olive oil
- ½ cup maple syrup or honey
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup packed mashed ripe bananas (about 3 bananas)
- 1/4 cup milk of choice or water (I used almond milk)
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon, plus more for sprinkling on top
- 13/4 cups white whole wheat flour or regular whole wheat flour
- 1/3 cup old-fashioned oats
- 1 teaspoon sugar, for sprinkling on top
- 1/2 cup semi sweet chocolate chips

## **Directions**

- 1. Preheat the oven to 325 degrees F. Grease all 12 cups of your muffin tin with butter or non-stick cooking spray
- 2. In a large bowl, beat the coconut oil and maple syrup together with a whisk. Add the eggs and beat well. Mix in the mashed bananas and milk, followed by the baking soda, vanilla extract, salt and cinnamon.
- 3. Add the flour and oats to the bowl and mix with a large spoon, just until combined.
- 4. Mix in chocolate chips
- 5. Divide the batter evenly between the muffin cups, filling each cup about two-thirds full. Sprinkle the tops of the muffins with a small amount of oats (about 1 tablespoon in total), followed by a light sprinkling of sugar (about 1 teaspoon in total). Bake muffins for 22 to 25 minutes, or until a toothpick inserted into a muffin comes out clean.
- 6. Place the muffin tin on a cooling rack to cool. You might need to run a butter knife along the outer edge of the muffins to loosen them from the pan.

\*These muffins will keep at room temperature for up to 2 days, or in the refrigerator for up to 4 days. They keep well in the freezer in a freezer-safe bag for up to 3 months (just defrost individual muffins as needed).