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National Nutrition Month: Savor The Flavor of Eating Right

March is National Nutrition Month. It's a time to remind us that how, when, why and where we eat is just as important as what we eat. With our busy lives, people tend to eat out of habit and rarely savor the experience of the food being consumed. Making sure to enjoy the sight, sounds, memories and interactions associated with eating are essential to developing an overall healthy eating plan. This is so important for children as they are growing and creating the foundation for a future of healthy eating. We should be encouraging them to sit down to a healthy breakfast, whether at home or in school. Taking time to sit down together for meals at home may be tough, but it's critically important for creating these lasting food experiences where we are teaching children to pause for a moment and truly enjoy their food. Impulsive eating that leads to over consumption of empty calories is not the path towards a healthy future and can lead to unwanted weight gain. Take time to share food traditions with children and find creative, healthful and nutritious ways to add flavor to food. An eating pattern based on the 2015-2020 Dietary Guidelines for Americans and MyPlate recommendations can help you plan healthy meals for your family. Check out these resources at www.choosemyplate.gov.



Sodexo is committed to promoting healthier food choices and encourages students and families to use the USDA MyPlate to build healthy and balanced meals.

BREAKFAST MENU					
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
				1 Yogurt OR Asst Cereal w/ Graham Crackers Fresh Fruit 100% Fruit Juice & Milk	
4 Apple NutriGrain Bar OR Cereal & Graham Crackers Fresh Fruit 100% Fruit Juice & Milk	5 Asst Muffin OR Asst Cereal w/ Graham rackers Fresh Fruit 100% Fruit Juice & Milk	6 Bagel w/Cream Cheese OR Cereal & Graham Crackers Fresh Fruit 100% Fruit Juice & Milk	7 Mini Berry French Toast OR Asst Cereal w/ Graham Crackers Fresh Fruit 100% Fruit Juice & Milk	8 Yogurt OR Asst Cereal w/ Graham Crackers Fresh fruit 100% Fruit Juice & Milk	
11 NutriGrain Bar OR Cereal, Graham Crackers Fresh Fruiyt 100% Fruit Juice & Milk	12 Asst Muffins OR Asst Cereal w/ Graham Crackers Fresh Fruit 100% Fruit Juice & Milk	13 Cinnamon Cream Cheese Filled Bagel OR Asst Cereal Graham Crackers Fresh Fruit 100% Fruit Juice & Milk	14 Apple Frudel OR Asst Cereal w/ Graham Crackers Fresh Fruit 100% Fresh Fruit & Milk	15 Yogurt or Asst Cereal w/ Graham Crackers Fresh Fruit 100% Fruit Juice & Milk	
18 Asst Poptarts OR Asst Cereal w/ Graham Crackers Fresh Fruit 100% Fruit Juice & Milk	19 Asst Muffins OR Asst Cereal w/ Graham Crackers Fresh Fruit 100% Fruit Juice & Milk	20 CinnaBun Crunchmania OR Asst Cereal Graham Crackers Fresh Fruit 100% Fruit Juice & Milk	21 Mini Pancakes OR Asst Cereal w/ Graham Crackers Fresh Fruit 100% Fruit Juice & Milk	22 Yogurt OR Assr Cereal w/ Graham Crackers Fresh Fruit 100% Fruit Juice & Milk	
25 Choc Chip Oat Bar OR Asst Cereal Cereal w/ Graham Crackers Fresh Fruit 100% Fruit Juice & Milk	26 Asst Muffins OR Asst Cereal Graham Crackers Fresh Fruit 100% Fruit Juice & Milk	27 Apple Jacks Pouch OR Asst Cereal w/ Graham Crackers Fresh Fruit 100% Fruit Juice & Milk	28 Choc Filled Crescent OR Asst Cereal w/ Graham Crackers Fresh Fruit 100% Fruit Juice & Milk	29 Berry Rice Krispies Bar OR Asst Cereal w/ Graham Crackers Fresh Fruit 100% Fruit Juice & Milk	

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MUSHROOMS AND SNAP PEAS (SERVES 4)

Fresh Pick Recipe

- · 3 cups raw mushrooms (pieces)
- 1 tablespoon canola/olive oil blend
- 1/2 tablespoon low sodium soy sauce
- 1 tablespoon frozen lemon juice
 (unsweetened)
- 3 cups frozen peas (cooked)

1. Slice mushrooms 1/2".

- 2. In a non-reactive bowl, whisk together oil, soy sauce and lemon juice.
- 3. Combine mushrooms and peas with dressing.

NUTRITION FACTS: 138 calories, 4g fat, 161mg sodium, 7g fiber

Pre-Paid Lunch. One form per child



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Nutrition Information is available upon request.