## MENU PLANNING

Menu Sample: Week 1

|  | Food Choice | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Snack - Include a vegetable and fruit choice and at least one choice of protein (Snack A) or whole grain (Snack B) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Vegetables and Fruits | Frozen fruit | Canned peaches | Applesauce | Strawberries | Banana slices |
|  | Whole Grains |  | Whole grain cereal | Whole wheat toast | Whole wheat pita triangles | Oat granola |
|  | Protein | Yogurt | Milk | Hard boiled eggs | Chocolate hummus | Yogurt |
| Meal/Lunch - include choices from all food groupings |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \overleftarrow{\Sigma} \\ & \underset{u}{u} \\ & \mathbf{u} \end{aligned}$ | Entrée Name | Tomato Beef Pasta Bake | Stuffed Pepper Casserole | Three Bean Chili and Buns | Tuna Sandwiches and Squash Soup | Chicken Caesar Salad Wraps |
|  | Vegetables and Fruits | Frozen carrots \& peas | Peppers, onions | Tomatoes, corn | Squash Soup | Broccoli florets |
|  | (2 choices) | Bananas | Garden Salad | Green beans | Green Peppers | Romaine lettuce |
|  | Whole Grains | Whole wheat pasta | Brown rice | Whole wheat bun | Whole grain bread | Whole wheat tortilla |
|  | Iron-rich Protein | Ground beef | Ground turkey or lentils | Mixed canned beans | Tuna | Chicken or tofu |
|  | Milk | Milk | Milk | Milk | Milk | Milk |
| Snack - include a vegetable and fruit choice and at least one choice of protein (Snack A) or whole grain (Snack B) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Vegetables and Fruits | Raw vegetables | Cucumbers | Melon slices | Canned pineapple | Carrots |
|  | Whole Grains | Whole grain crackers | Whole grain mini bagels |  | Mini oat muffin | 'Carrot cake' oatmeal squares |
|  | Protein | Hummus | Spinach dip (cottage cheese) | Cheese cubes | Cottage cheese |  |

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Menu Sample: Week 2

|  | Food Choice | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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|  | Snack - Include a vegetable and fruit choice and at least one choice of protein (Snack A) or whole grain (Snack B) |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Vegetables and Fruits | Canned pears | Fruit salad | Orange peppers, cucumber | Canned pineapple | Frozen berries |
|  | Whole Grains | Whole grain cereal | Whole grain cinnamon pita triangles | Whole wheat naan |  | Whole wheat English muffins |
|  | Protein | Milk |  | Hummus | Cottage cheese | Hard boiled eggs |
| $\begin{aligned} & \underline{u} \\ & \stackrel{u}{3} \end{aligned}$ | Meal/Lunch - include choices from all food groupings |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Entrée Name | Lasagna, Caesar salad and green beans | Salmon \& tuna salad sandwiches, raw veggies | Taco casserole with mixed vegetables | Lentil \& cauliflower Daal over rice | Broccoli chicken pasta bake |
|  | Vegetables and Fruits (2 choices) | Romaine lettuce | Sliced peppers Carrots, celery | Lettuce, tomatoes, corn | Cauliflower, peas | Broccoli |
|  |  | Green beans | Romaine lettuce | Frozen carrots \& peas | Apple slices | Spinach |
|  | Whole Grains | Whole wheat pasta | Whole wheat bread | Quinoa | Brown rice | Whole wheat pasta |
|  | Iron-rich Protein | Ground turkey or tofu | Tuna or salmon | Ground beef and/or black beans | Red lentils | Shredded chicken |
|  | Milk | Milk | Milk | Milk | Milk | Milk |
|  | Snack - include a vegetable and fruit choice and at least one choice of protein (Snack A) or whole grain (Snack B) |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Vegetables and Fruits | Apple Slices | Bananas | Applesauce | Canned mandarin oranges | Green, red and orange peppers |
|  | Whole Grains | Whole wheat crackers | Whole wheat tortillas | Whole grain oat muffins | Homemade granola bars |  |
|  | Protein |  | Wow butter | Milk |  | Hummus |

Menu Sample: Week 3

|  | Food Choice | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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|  | Snack - Include a vegetable and fruit choice and at least one choice of protein (Snack A) or whole grain (Snack B) |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Vegetables and Fruits | Frozen berries | Apple slices | Blueberries | Applesauce | Mangoes, strawberries |
|  | Whole Grains | Whole wheat toast with cinnamon | Whole wheat crackers |  | Mini bran muffin | Whole wheat bagel slices |
|  | Protein |  | Cheese cubes | Frozen yogurt |  | Hard boiled eggs |
| $\begin{aligned} & m \\ & \underset{u}{u} \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | Meal/Lunch - include choices from all food groupings |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Entrée Name | Chicken noddle soup | Squash spinach frittata, garden salad | Turkey chili | Chicken (or tofu) stir fry | Lentil sloppy joes, coleslaw |
|  | Vegetables and Fruits | Celery, peas, carrots, onions (in the soup) | Butternut squash, spinach | Canned tomatoes, chopped peppers | Sliced mixed peppers, mushrooms | Tomatoes |
|  |  | Frozen strawberries | Garden salad | Corn | Green beans | Coleslaw |
|  | Whole Grains | Whole grain roll, pasta | Whole grain baguette | Whole wheat pita chips | Brown rice | Whole grain bun |
|  | Iron-rich Protein | Chopped chicken, white beans | Black beans, eggs | Turkey, red kidney beans | Chicken or tofu | Red lentils |
|  | Milk | Milk | Milk | Milk | Milk | Milk |
|  | Snack - include a vegetable and fruit choice and at least one choice of protein (Snack A) or whole grain (Snack B) |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Vegetables and Fruits | Orange slices | Peppers, carrots | Yellow zucchini spears | Canned pineapple | Grated veggies, chopped spinach |
|  | Whole Grains | Whole wheat crackers | Whole grain pita strips | Whole wheat naan |  | Whole wheat tortillas (veggie pinwheels) |
|  | Protein | Deviled eggs | Hummus | Yogurt spinach dip | Cottage cheese | Black bean dip |


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|  | Vegetables and Fruits | Apple slices | Frozen fruit | Orange slices | Sliced peppers | Frozen berries (popsicles) |
|  | Whole Grains | Whole grain crackers | Oatmeal squares | Carrot and raisin bran muffins | Whole grain pitas | Homemade granola bars |
|  | Protein | Salmon balls |  |  | Hummus |  |
|  | Meal/Lunch - include choices from all food groupings |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Entrée Name | Crustless broccoli quiche | Vegetarian lasagna | Fish \& vegetable chowder | Green pasta, chicken \& sweet potatoes | Pork tenderloin, squash with apples |
|  | Vegetables and Fruits | Broccoli | Peas | Potatoes, carrots, celery | Baked sweet potato wedges | Acorn squash and apples |
|  | (2 choices) | Diced carrots | Garden salad | Canned peaches | Spinach, broccoli (blended in a sauce) | Frozen cauliflower broccoli mix |
|  | Whole Grains | Whole grain baguette | Whole grain lasagna noodles | Whole wheat crackers | Whole grain pasta | Brown rice |
|  | Iron-rich Protein | Eggs, cottage cheese | Tofu, bean puree | Haddock (or other white fish) | Chicken tenders or tempeh | Pork tenderloin |
|  | Milk | Milk | Milk, cheese | Milk | Milk | Milk |
|  | Snack - include a vegetable and fruit choice and at least one choice of protein (Snack A) or whole grain (Snack B) |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Vegetables and Fruits | Bananas | Applesauce | Peppers, spinach, tomatoes | Melon slices | Canned fruit cocktail |
|  | Whole Grains | Blueberry lemon whole grain muffins | Whole grain banana bread | Mini frittatas | Quinoa balls (Wowbutter) | Whole grain bread |
|  | Protein |  | Wowbutter | Egg, black bean, cheese | Wowbutter | Egg salad |

