### 10 tips Nutrition Education Series

# make celebrations fun, healthy & active



### **10 tips** to creating healthy, active events

#### Eating healthy and being physically active can be a fun part of parties and events. Great

gatherings are easy to do when tasty, healthy foods from all the food groups are offered in a fun, active environment. Above all, focus on enjoying friends and family.

make healthy habits part of your celebrations

■ Food and beverages are a part of an event, but they do not have to be the center of the occasion. Focus on activities to get people moving and enjoy being together.

2 make foods look festive Decorate foods with nuts or seeds or use new shapes for vegetables. Add a few eye-catching fruits to a favorite dish, serve up a new recipe, or add a sprinkle of almonds or green onions to add just an extra something.

3 offer thirst quenches that please Make fun ice cubes from 100% juice or add slices of fruit to make water more exciting. Create a "float" by adding a scoop of low-fat sorbet to seltzer water.

A savor the flavor Take time to pay attention to the taste of each bite of food. Make small changes in your old recipes or try dishes from another culture to liven things up.

## use ChooseMyPlate.gov to include foods from the food groups for your party

Offer whole-grain crackers, serve a spicy bean dip and a veggie tray, make fruit kabobs, layer yogurt and fruit to create a sweet parfait. Use whole grains and veggies to make a savory, healthy salad.

### make moving part of every event

Being physically active makes everyone feel good. Dancing, moving, playing active games, wiggling, and giggling add fun to any gathering.

# try out some healthier recipes

Find ways to cut back on sugar, salt, and fat as you prepare your favorite recipes. Try out some of the recipes on ChooseMyPlate.gov.

### keep it simple

Have others participate by contributing a prepared dish, helping with the clean up, or keeping the kids active and moving.

### shop smart to eat smart

Save money by offering foods that fit your budget. Buy in-season produce when it costs less and tastes better. Plan in advance and buy foods on sale.

**10** be a cheerleader for healthy habits It's never too early for adults to set an example. Keep in mind that children follow what the adults around them do—even at parties.



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Go to www.ChooseMyPlate.gov/bday/celebrate.aspx for more information.

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### February 2014 High School Menus



Breakfast \$1.45 Reduced Breakfast \$.30 Visitor Breakfast \$1.90 Extra Milk \$.35

Lunch \$2.35 Reduced Lunch \$.40 Visitor Lunch \$3.30

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Weekly Breakfast Options				
Select at least 3 items. One must be • fruit or • juice. The below breakfast options will be offered every other week on the day of the week				
listed.   Breakfast Round,  Butterscotch Bar & Assorted Cereal are daily breakfast bundles.  Juice,  fruit and  milk offered daily.				
Week 1 (2/3, 2/17)	Due al fact Dumitent			Encycle To ant Chieles
Breakfast Pizza~	Breakfast Burrito~	Sausage Biscuit~	Maple Waffle	French Toast Sticks
Week 2 (2/10, 2/24) Pancakes	Egg & Cheese in Pita~	Sausage Biscuit~	Chocolate Chip Waffle	Breakfast Bites~
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Lunch Options				
Select 3 to 5 components and one must be fruit or vegetable. Fruit and vegetable options are listed below and are served on the same day of				
the week each week. 1% and fat free flavored •milk is offered daily. We cannot guarantee all menu choices will be available for all students.				
Delivery Pizza#	Spicy Chicken on Bun	••Nachos^	Chicken Nuggets	Cheeseburger on Bun
#Variety of toppings	<ul> <li>Breaded Chicken on</li> </ul>	Burrito	• • enicken Nuggets	Corndog
including vegetarian and	Bun			
pork				
Teriyaki Chicken & Rice	<ul> <li>Potato Wedges</li> </ul>	Spicy Beans	<ul> <li>Green Peas</li> </ul>	Potato Puffs
10	11	12	13	14
Delivery Pizza#	Buffalo Chicken on	Frito Chili Pie	Chicken Nuggets	Cheeseburger on Bun
#Variety of toppings	Bun	BBQ Turkey Sliders	Fish Nuggets	Ham & Cheese Pocket~
including vegetarian and pork	Grilled Chicken on Bun			
pork	Daked Fries	Celery Sticks     Paked Petate	Caldan Carn	Dotato Wedges
17	<ul> <li>Baked Fries</li> <li>18</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Baked Potato</li> <li>19</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Golden Corn</li> <li>20</li> </ul>	Potato Wedges 21
17	10	• Quesadilla^	Chicken Nuggets	Cheeseburger on Bun
The fire second state		Burrito	Chicken Sticks	<ul> <li>Sloppy Joe on Bun</li> </ul>
The five components for menu planning are: • Grains • Protein • Fruit • Vegetable • Milk				
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		Refried Beans	Green Beans	Baked Fries
24	25	26	27	28
Delivery Pizza#	Buffalo Chicken on Bun	• Soft Taco	Chicken Nuggets	Cheeseburger on Bun
#Variety of toppings including vegetarian and	Corndog	Taco Burger		
pork		Tortillo China	Green Peas	
Popcorn Shrimp	Potato Wedges	<ul> <li>Tortilla Chips</li> <li>Spicy Beans</li> </ul>		Potato Puffs
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Daily Side Choices				
Broccoli &Cauliflower	Fresh Carrots	Chocolate Chip Cookie	Dinner Roll	Cooked Carrots
Salad	Baked Beans	Spinach Dip	Mashed Potatoes	
•Garden Salad	Lettuce & Tomato	<ul> <li>Broccoli &amp; Cheese</li> </ul>	Lettuce & Tomato	Lettuce & Tomato
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<ul> <li>Sandwich Toppings</li> </ul>	Pineapple Tidbits	<ul> <li>Sandwich Toppings</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Applesauce</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Tropical Fruit</li> </ul>
Sliced Pears	Fresh Fruit	Sliced Peaches	<ul> <li>Fresh Strawberries</li> </ul>	Fresh Fruit
Fresh Fruit		<ul> <li>Orange Juice</li> </ul>	Fresh Fruit	
^Vegetarian ~Pork #A	variety of toppings including p	ork and cheese		~~Menu Subject to Change

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