## Snack ldeas

For a snack with satisfying power, pair a carbohydrate (like grains, fruit or veggies) with a protein source (like peanut butter, lean meat, or cheese). Here are some nutritious combinations:

- Apple slices with cheddar cheese
- Trail mix (nuts, dried fruit, cereal)
- Celery sticks with peanut butter and raisins
- Cowboy caviar with whole grain tortilla chips or Sunchips
- Chicken or egg salad with pita chips
- Whole grain crackers with hummus
- Pretzels dipped in peanut butter
- Orange and string cheese
- Sliced veggies with black bean dip
- $1 / 2$ turkey sandwich on whole wheat bread or tortilla
- English muffin with peanut butter
- $1 / 2$ whole wheat bagel with cream cheese
- Rice cakes or tortilla chips with guacamole
- Instant oatmeal made with choice of milk
- High fiber ( 5 g or more per serving) cereal with choice of milk
- Yogurt topped with fruit and granola or cereal
- Carrot sticks dipped in hummus


## Fast Food Choices

Here are some ideas to make nutritious choices when eating fast food:

- Opt for baked, broiled or grilled over fried options
- Load up on veggies on sandwiches, wraps or burritos, or try a vegetarian option
- Choose thin or regular crust pizza
- Add beans to your tacos or burritos
- Have your breakfast sandwich on an English muffin or bagel instead of a biscuit
- Add your own condiments or salad dressings yourself so you get exactly what you want
- Top your burrito bowl with brown rice and guacamole
- Grab apple slices, baked chips, or a side salad to complement your meal
- Choose a few items from the value menu to make a meal, like chili, a side salad, and fruit
- Don't forget to stay hydrated by including water with your meal

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## Quick Breakfast Ideas

- Small whole wheat bagel with cream cheese*
- Whole grain cereal with blueberries and choice of milk
- Hard boiled egg, whole wheat toast*
- Egg sandwich on a whole grain English muffin ${ }^{\star}$
- Oatmeal made with milk \& raisins
- Banana and peanut butter smoothie (1 ripe banana, 1 cup milk, 1 T peanut butter, ice)
- Cottage cheese with fruit and nuts
- Dried fruit and nut trail mix, glass of milk
- Egg and veggie burrito*
- Tofu and veggie scramble*
- Fruit, yogurt and granola parfait
- Peanut butter on whole wheat bread ${ }^{\star}$
- String cheese with whole wheat crackers*
- Whole wheat toaster waffles with peanut butter and fruit preserves*
- Turkey or soy sausage patties wrapped in a whole wheat tortilla^
- Apple slices with cheddar cheese*
*Add a piece of fruit or $40 z$ of 100\% fruit juice to complete the meal!



## Dacked Lunch Ideas

Grab a insulated bag, and toss in 1-2 of the items from each group:

Grains:
Whole wheat bread or muffin Whole grain tortilla English muffin or bagel Whole grain crackers

Brown rice
Whole wheat pasta
Pretzels or baked chips
Protein:
Hummus
Boiled egg
Tuna (can or packet)
Nut butter or nuts
Sliced lunch meat
Edamame or roasted chickpeas
Dairy or dairy alternative:
Yogurt (regular or Greek style)
Milk, soy milk, or other dairy alternative
Cheese stick or string cheese

## Cottage cheese

Kefir
Pudding
Fruit:
1 small piece fruit (apple, orange, pear, peach, banana, nectarine, etc)
$40 z$ 100\% fruit juice
Cut fresh fruits (watermelon, cantaloupe,
honeydew melon, mango or pineapple)
Canned fruit in juice or fruit cup
Dried fruit (raisins, craisins, etc)
Veggies:


Broccoli or cauliflower florets Cherry tomatoes
Sliced veggies (carrots, cucumbers, celery, or peppers)
Snap peas

## Quick Dinner Ideas

- Baked potato stuffed with salsa, broccoli and shredded cheese (or cottage cheese)
- Chicken stir fry with frozen vegetables and brown rice
- Grilled chicken salad with vinaigrette and a whole wheat roll
- Whole wheat pasta with marinara sauce, chicken and frozen veggies
- Veggie pizza on a whole wheat pita
- Turkey burgers on whole wheat bun, with carrot sticks
- Spinach and black bean quesadilla with shredded cheese
- Rotisserie chicken \& baked sweet potato
- Veggie omelet made with cheese and whole grain toast
- Black beans with a can of Rotel ${ }^{\text {® }}$ tomatoes over brown rice
- Veggie burger with sliced cheese on a whole wheat bun, with a side salad
- Whole grain cereal with milk and fruit
- Frozen meal (less than 600 mg sodium and at least 2.5 g fiber per meal)
- Bean burrito with brown rice and salsa
- Tuna melt on whole wheat bread, with broccoli


## *Add a piece of fruit for a nutritious

 dessert.