## Sample Menus for DCS Providers

From the Provider Manual

- Facilities must create cycle menus, one which is planned for a specific period of time and rotated, to offer a wide variety of foods (See sample menus below from Appendix A \#4).
- Facilities must have a Registered Dietitian approve the cycle menu or use the sample DCS approved menu to ensure that quality foods are served and the meal components are meeting recommended nutrition needs.
- Menus must be kept on file for a period of one year.
- Additional education and resources should be provided and available to staff and students to enhance nutrition education and food preparation knowledge.

Appendix A \#4: Weekly Sample Menu

| Day of the Week | Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sunday |  |  |  |
| Main Entrée | 2 Scrambled eggs | 1 chicken patty | 1 cup spaghetti w/meat sauce |
| Vegetable | None | $1 / 2$ cup green beans, condiments for sandwich | 1-2 cups tossed salad with dressing |
| Bread | 2 slices-whole wheat toast and jelly | Whole wheat bun | 1- Whole wheat dinner roll |
| Fruit | ½ cup peaches | 1 apple or $1 / 2$ cup applesauce | ½ cup pears |
| Beverage | $1 / 2$ cup 100\% fruit juice, 8 oz. Fat-free/low-fat milk | $1 / 2$ cup 100\% fruit juice, 8 oz. Fat-free/low-fat milk | 8 oz. fat-free/low-fat milk, 8 oz. beverage |


| Monday |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Main Entrée | 2 sausage patties | 1-Turkey and cheese sandwich | 4 oz. baked BBQ chicken breast |
| Vegetable | None | Carrot and celery sticks | $1 / 2$ cup green peas, $1 / 2$ cup mashed potatoes |
| Bread | 1 each-whole wheat biscuit | Whole wheat bread, baked chips | 1 dinner roll with butter |
| Fruit | 1⁄2 cup fruit cocktail | ½ cup peaches | 1-apple or $1 ⁄ 2$ cup applesauce |
| Beverage | $1 / 2$ cup 100\% fruit juice, 8 oz. Fat-free/low-fat milk | $1 / 2$ cup 100\% fruit juice, 8 oz. Fat-free/low-fat milk | 8 oz. fat-free/low-fat milk, 8 oz. beverage |
| Tuesday |  |  |  |
| Main Entrée | 1 cup oatmeal | 1-Fish patty or 5 fish nuggets | 4 oz . baked ham or turkey |
| Vegetable | None | ½ cup Mac-n-cheese, $1 / 2$ cup broccoli | $1 / 2$ cup-1 cup mixed vegetables |
| Bread | Whole grain muffin | 3-4 hushpuppies | 1 slice garlic bread |
| Fruit | 1 banana | 1 orange or $1 / 2$ cup orange slices | 12 cup pears |
| Beverage | $1 / 2$ cup 100\% fruit juice, 8 oz. Fat-free/low-fat milk | $1 / 2$ cup 100\% fruit juice, 8 oz. Fat-free/low-fat milk | 8 oz. fat-free/low-fat milk, 8 oz. beverage |


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| Wednesday |  |  |  |
| Main Entrée | 2 slices bacon and $1 / 2$ cup scrambled eggs | 2 hotdogs | 4 oz. meatloaf |
| Vegetable | None | $1 / 2$ cup baked beans, condiments for hotdog | ½ cup mashed potatoes, $1 / 2$ cup green peas |
| Bread | 1 slice-whole wheat toast with jelly | Whole wheat hotdog bun, baked chips | Whole wheat bread, butter |
| Fruit | Apple or applesauce | 1/2 cup fruit cocktail | 12 cup peaches |
| Beverage | $1 / 2$ cup 100\% fruit juice, 8 oz. Fat-free/low-fat milk | $1 / 2$ cup 100\% fruit juice, 8 oz. Fat-free/low-fat milk | 8 oz. fat-free/low-fat milk, 8 oz. beverage |
| Thursday |  |  |  |
| Main Entrée | 2-Whole grain waffles with syrup | 4-5 chicken fingers | 4 oz. pork chop |
| Vegetable | None | 1-2 cups tossed salad with dressing | ½ cup green beans, 1/2 cup sweet potatoes |
| Bread | None | 1 cup oven fries | 1 dinner roll, butter |
| Fruit | $1 / 2$ cup pears | 1 banana | 1 orange or $1 ⁄ 2$ cup orange slices |
| Beverage | $1 / 2$ cup 100\% fruit juice, 8 oz. Fat-free/low-fat milk | $1 / 2$ cup 100\% fruit juice, 8 oz. Fat-free/low-fat milk | 8 oz. fat-free/low-fat milk, 8 oz. beverage |
| Friday |  |  |  |
| Main Entrée | 1 cup-Dry cereal | 2 pizza pockets (whole grain) | 2-3 beef tacos |
| Vegetable | None | 1-2 cups tossed salad with dressing | Refried beans and condiments for tacos: lettuce, tomato, onion |
| Bread | Whole grain muffin | None | 2-3 taco shells |
| Fruit | ½ cup peaches | 1 apple or $1 / 2$ cup applesauce | $1 / 2$ cup pears |
| Beverage | $1 / 2$ cup 100\% fruit juice, 8 oz. Fat-free/low-fat milk | $1 / 2$ cup $100 \%$ fruit juice, 8 oz. Fat-free/low-fat milk | 8 oz. fat-free/low-fat milk, 8 oz. beverage |

## Saturday

| Main Entrée |  |  | $1 / 2$ cup-Hash browns and 2 sausage <br> patties |
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| Vegetable | None | 1 cup chicken stir-fry |  |
| Bread | 1 slice-whole wheat toast | Baked beans, condiments for <br> burger | Oriental vegetables (beans, peppers, onions) |
| Fruit | $1 / 2$ cup fruit cocktail | Whole wheat hamburger bun | Brown rice |
| Beverage | $1 / 2$ cup $100 \%$ fruit juice, <br> 8 oz. Fat-free/low-fat milk | $1 / 2$ cup $100 \%$ fruit juice, <br> 8 oz. Fat-free/low-fat milk | 8 oz. fat-free/low-fat milk, <br> 8 oz. beverage |

