## 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	½ 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 ½ cup applesauce	½ cup pears				
Beverage	½ cup 100% fruit juice, 8 oz. Fat-free/low-fat milk	½ 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	½ cup green peas, ½ cup mashed potatoes			
Bread	1 each-whole wheat biscuit	Whole wheat bread, baked chips	1 dinner roll with butter			
Fruit	½ cup fruit cocktail	½ cup peaches	1-apple or ½ cup applesauce			
Beverage	½ cup 100% fruit juice, 8 oz. Fat-free/low-fat milk	½ 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, ½ cup broccoli	½ cup-1 cup mixed vegetables			
Bread	Whole grain muffin	3-4 hushpuppies	1 slice garlic bread			
Fruit	1 banana	1 orange or ½ cup orange slices	½ cup pears			
Beverage	½ cup 100% fruit juice, 8 oz. Fat-free/low-fat milk	½ cup 100% fruit juice, 8 oz. Fat-free/low-fat milk	8 oz. fat-free/low-fat milk, 8 oz. beverage			

Day of the Week	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner
		Wednesday	
Main Entrée	2 slices bacon and ½ cup scrambled	2 hotdogs	4 oz. meatloaf
	eggs		
Vegetable	None	½ cup baked beans, condiments for	½ cup mashed potatoes, ½ cup green peas
		hotdog	
Bread	1 slice-whole wheat toast with jelly	Whole wheat hotdog bun, baked	Whole wheat bread, butter
		chips	
Fruit	Apple or applesauce	½ cup fruit cocktail	½ cup peaches
Beverage	½ cup 100% fruit juice,	½ cup 100% fruit juice,	8 oz. fat-free/low-fat milk,
	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, ½ cup sweet potatoes
Bread	None	1 cup oven fries	1 dinner roll, butter
Fruit	½ cup pears	1 banana	1 orange or ½ cup orange slices
Beverage	½ cup 100% fruit juice,	½ cup 100% fruit juice,	8 oz. fat-free/low-fat milk,
	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 ½ cup applesauce	½ cup pears
Beverage	½ cup 100% fruit juice,	½ cup 100% fruit juice,	8 oz. fat-free/low-fat milk,
	8 oz. Fat-free/low-fat milk	8 oz. Fat-free/low-fat milk	8 oz. beverage

Saturday					
Main Entrée	½ cup-Hash browns and 2 sausage	3-4 oz. hamburger patty	1 cup chicken stir-fry		
	patties				
Vegetable	None	Baked beans, condiments for	Oriental vegetables (beans, peppers, onions)		
		burger			
Bread	1 slice-whole wheat toast	Whole wheat hamburger bun	Brown rice		
Fruit	½ cup fruit cocktail	1 banana	1 orange or ½ cup orange slices		
Beverage	½ cup 100% fruit juice,	½ cup 100% fruit juice,	8 oz. fat-free/low-fat milk,		
	8 oz. Fat-free/low-fat milk	8 oz. Fat-free/low-fat milk	8 oz. beverage		