## Little's Lunches

INVESTING IN CHILD NUTRITION
CACFP Breakfast; Lunch Menu - 21 Day Cycle; 5 days

* All menu items are recommended and approved by the Florida School Lunch Program ( Fruits are subject to vary by availability and season)

Milk not provided by Little's Lunches

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|  | BKFT | Cereal, Apples |  | Cinnamon toast, fruit |  | Yogurt, Banana |  | Pancakes, fruit |  | Oatmeal, bananas |
| Week 1 | Meal | (WG) Turkey Sub, Carrots, Fruit | Meal | (WG) Chicken and cheese noodles, Beans, fruit | Meal | (WG) Chicken Nuggets, Corn, Fruit | Meal | Chicken and Cheese Rice, Salad, Fruit | Meal | (WG) Chicken Lo Mein, Fruit |


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| Week 2 | BKFT <br> Meal | Cereal, Apples | Meal | Pancakes, Pineapple | Meal | G) Cinnamon Toast, Banna <br> (WG) Pizza Pasta, Salad, <br> Fruit | Meal | Oatmeal, Apples | Meal | Cereal, Bannana |
|  |  | (WG) Chicken Nuggets, Corn, Fruit |  | (WG) BBQ Chicken Sandwich, Green Beans, |  |  |  | Beef Nachos, pinto beans, fruit |  | (WG) Baked Spaghetti, Broccoli, Fruit |
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| Week 3 | Meal | (WG) Chicken and Cheese Noodles, Salad, Fruit | Meal | Chicken Fried Rice, Fruit | Meal | WG Sausage Pizza, Broccoli with cheese, Fruit | Meal | (WG) Baked Spaghetti, green beans, fruit | Meal | Chicken Nachos, Corn, Fruit |


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|  | BKFT | Cereal, Apples |  | Pancakes and fruit |  | Cinnamon toast, Bannana |  | Pancakes, Fruit |  | Oatmeal, Apples |
| Week 4 | Meal | (WG) Turkey Sub, Carrots, Fruit | Meal | Fhicken Nuggets, pinto bean | Meal | (WG)Baked Spaghetti, Broccoli, Fruit | Meal | Beef Nachos, corn, fruit | Meal | (WG) Hot Ham and Cheese Croissant, Fruit, sweet potatoes |

## The Menu

- Menu items offer a variety of fresh fruit, veggies, and daily protein
- Items are carefully chosen to offer key nutrients while remaining kid friendly

Exposing children to a variety of items is crucial for expanding palates, additional items such as carrots, salad, and greens are incorporated into the menu after the daily value is met to expose children to foods

## Building Healthy Habits

Children often mimic their parents' behavior. Set a positive example by making healthy food choices yourself. If they see you eating fruits and vegetables, they are more likely to do the same.

Make Healthy Choices Convenient: Keep healthy snacks readily available and easy to access. Cut up fruits and vegetables and store them in the fridge for quick, healthy snacks. Limit the availability of sugary and processed foods in the house and added to their school day.

Limit Sugary Beverages: Avoid sugary drinks like soda, fruit juices, and sports drinks. Encourage water and milk as the primary beverage choices. If you do offer fruit juice, make sure it's $100 \%$ fruit juice and limit the portion size.

