## III. Meals

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| BREAKFAST | AGES 1-2 | AGES 3-5 | AGES 6 \& OVER |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *fluid milk | 1/2 cup | 3/4 cup | 1 cup |
| juice, fruit, or vegetable | 1/4 cup | 1/2 cup | 1/2 cup |
| bread or bread alternate | 1/2 slice | 1/2 slice | 1 slice |
| SNACK (Choose ANY 2 of the 4) |  |  |  |
| *fluid milk | 1/2 cup | 1/2 cup | 1 cup |
| juice, fruit, or vegetable | 1/2 cup | 1/2 cup | 3/4 cup |
| meat or meat alternate | 1/2 ounce | 1/2 ounce | 1 ounce |
| bread or bread alternate | 1/2 slice | 1/2 slice | 1 slice |
| LUNCH/SUPPER |  |  |  |
| *fluid milk | 1/2 cup | 3/4 cup | 1 cup |
| meat or meat alternate | 1 ounce (cooked) | 11/2 ounce cooked | 2 ounces cooked |
| fruit/vegetable (2 or more) | 1/4 cup total | 1/2 cup total | 3/4 cup total |
| bread or bread alternate | 1/2 slice | 1/2 slice | 1 slice |

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## TIME

- No requirements regarding timing of meal service
- No time limit between the end of school and the meal service
- No requirement for the order of the meal service
- Meal or snack must occur during the afterschool care program


## Water Available at all Times

The Health, Hunger-Free Act of 2010 requires potable water to be available to children at all times.


## Four Meal Components

- Milk
- Meat/Meat Alternate

- Fruit/Vegetable

- Grains/Bread


One of the biggest reasons sponsors get in trouble is...

## Milk

- Not serving enough
- Not having receipts to show you purchased enough


## 8 Ounce Cartons

- Why?
- Convenience
- Ease of Service
- Assurance of enough
- If you use these:

- Open and serve
- Dispose of un-used portion


## MEAT/MEAT ALTERNATES

- Fish, eggs, beef, chicken, ham, turkey
- Cheese
- Dry beans and peas
- Peanut butter and other nut butters

- Nuts and seeds
- Yogurt
- Alternate Protein Products


## All Processed Meat items MUST have:

- Child Nutrition label


## VEGETABLES AND FRUITS

- Vegetables (dark green, red, orange)
- Vegetables (starchy)

- Vegetables (other)
- Dry beans and peas
- Fruits (citrus, melon, berries)
- Fruits (other)
- Fruit Juice - 100\%



## GRAINS OR BREADS

- Enriched breads, cereals, pasta
- Whole grain breads, cereals, pasta



## SUPPER

- Milk
- Meat/meat alternate
- Bread/bread alternate
- Vegetables/Fruits (2 or more)



## SNACK



Two or more of the following:

- Milk
- Meat/Meat Alternate
- Vegetables/Fruits
- Bread/Bread Alternate



## Reimbursable Meal

All parts of the meal pattern must be present in the appropriate amounts in order to receive payment for a meal.


## Menus

- Must be posted
- Must be similar to what is served
- Must include all components
- Minor variations are acceptable
- Must be kept on file


## Serving Children while in Transit

## OFFER VERSUS SERVE

- School Food Authorities may choose to use the NSLP or SBP meal patterns
- Sponsors have the option of using OVS in the center IF meal is prepared by SFA - whether site is located in the school or another location

Not an option during snack service

## IMPORTANT POINTS

- Must serve two or more kinds of vegetables and/or fruits or a combination of both. (Meal service only)
- Full strength vegetable or fruit juices may be counted as no more than $1 / 2$ of the meal requirement.
- Breads and grains must be whole-grain or enriched meal or flour. Cereal must be whole-grain or enriched flour.
- Serving size consists of edible portion of the cooked lean meat or poultry or fish.
- Nuts and seeds may meet only $1 / 2$ of the total meat/meat alternate serving and be combined with another meat/meat alternate for supper component.
- Yogurt may be plain or flavored, unsweetened, or sweetened.


## Ideas for nutritious meals?

www.choosemyplate.gov
www.teamnutrition.usda.gov
www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/child-day-care-centers

