Sample Lunch Menus Using the School Nutrition Guidelines



Getting Started:

- 1. Under the <u>Guidelines</u>, menus must offer only *Choose Most* and *Choose Sometimes* foods.
- 2. These sample menus do not consider food allergies or other restrictions at your school. Please check the Food Safety and Food Allergy tabs at https://www.surreyschools.ca/departments/FSRV/About/Pages/default.aspx
- 3. Check <u>www.brandnamefoodlist.bc.ca</u> to be sure that each item offered is rated Choose Most or Choose Sometimes.

Note: The ratings listed in the menus below may vary by brand and portion size.

Hot Dog Day Menu:

Beef or Chicken or Vegetarian Hot Dog with catsup portion (Choose Sometimes)

Nutrition Tip: Serve the wieners on wholegrain or whole wheat buns.

Mini-carrots (Choose Most) with Ranch Dressing Portion

100% Juice Box (Choose Sometimes)

100% Dried Fruit Bar (Choose Most)

Pizza Day:

Pizza slice (1/8th of a 14 pizza) (Choose Sometimes)

Nutrition Tip: Offer Cheese or Vegetarian Pizza on multigrain crust to keep the fat content low.

Tossed Salad with Ranch Dressing (Choose Most)

2% (Choose Most) or Chocolate Milk (Choose Sometimes) carton

Frozen Yoghurt Tube (Choose Sometimes)

Nutrition Tip: Choose tubes with the lowest amount of added sugars.

Submarine Sandwich Day:

Small Turkey and Cheese Sub with lettuce and salad dressing (Choose Sometimes) or Small Veggie Sub (Choose Most)

<u>Nutrition Tip</u>: Add vegetables like cucumber, lettuce, tomatoes or peppers to each sub. Choose the whole grain rolls.

Baked Nacho Chips (Choose Sometimes)

Bottled Water (Choose Most)

Simple Oatmeal Raisin Cookie (Choose Most)

Hamburger Day:

Hamburger, Cheeseburger or Chicken Burger (Choose Sometimes)

Nutrition Tip: Serve on wholegrain or whole wheat buns.

Serve with lettuce and tomato.

Mini-carrots (Choose Most) with Ranch Dressing Portion

2% (Choose Most) or Chocolate Milk (Choose Sometimes) carton

Bagged Apple Slices or Apples and Grapes (Choose Most)

Wrap Menu:

Wrap with Chicken, lettuce and other vegetables (Choose Most) 100% Fruit Juice blend (Choose Sometimes)
Novelty Crackers, single serve package (Choose Sometimes)
Pudding Tube (Choose Most)

Nutrition Tip: Choose the pudding with milk as the first ingredient and the lowest amount of fat and added sugar. Avoid artificial sweeteners. Confirm rating with brandnamefoodlist.ca

Sports Day:

Pizza Pretzel (Choose Sometimes)
2% (Choose Most) or Chocolate Milk (Choose Sometimes) carton
Frozen 100% Fruit Bar (Choose Sometimes) or Watermelon Slice (Choose Most)

A FEW IDEAS FOR TREAT DAY

Some schools offer students special treat as a fund-raiser from time to time. Here are a few suggestions.

- Flavoured popcorn lightly salted, trans fat free (not candy coated or with added salty toppings like powdered cheese.)
- Baked tortilla chips and mild salsa
- Hot chocolate with milk as the first ingredient
- 100% fruit bars (with no added sugar)
- Trail Mix:

Ingredients might include cereal, dried fruit and seeds like pumpkin or sunflower.

Avoid nuts, peanuts and candy.

- Grapes in a cup, Watermelon slices and other fresh fruit in season
- Baked potato chips
- Dried fruit Unsweetened apple rings, mango slices, lightly sweetened dried cranberries, etc.
- Bananas with yoghurt or pudding dip in a small paper cup

