BackPack Food Program Weekend Menus

Our food packs contain breakfast, lunch and a snack for each day that school is not in session. Here are some of the menus we have to choose from.

MENU 2A (Two Day Weekend)

Day 1 Menu

Breakfast

- 1 Bowl of cereal. Add your own milk.
- 1 Fruit Cup

Morning Snack

1 Bag of Peanuts

Lunch

- 1 Maruchan Instant Lunch. Follow the directions on the cup and ask an adult to help you.
- 1 Pudding Cup
- 1 Juice Drink

Day 2 Menu

Breakfast

- 1 Bowl of cereal. Add your own milk.
- 1 Fruit Cup

Morning Snack

1 Package Cheese Crackers

Lunch

- 1 Tuna Salad Kit
- 1 Apple Sauce Cup
- 1 Pudding Cup (in winter, this pudding is replaced by hot chocolate packet)

MENU 2B (Two Day Weekend)

Day 1 Menu

Breakfast

- 1 Instant Oatmeal. Add hot water to oatmeal in bowl, stir. Ask an adult to help you with the water.
- 1 Fruit cup

Morning Snack

1 Package of Whole Grain Cheez-Its

<u>Lunch</u>

- 1 Easy Mac. Add water to macaroni in a bowl. Follow the directions on the packet. Ask an adult to help you.
- 1 Pudding Cup
- 1 Juice Drink

Day 2 Menu

Breakfast

- 1 Bowl of cereal. Add your own milk.
- 1 Fruit Cup

Morning Snack

1 Package Peanut Butter Crackers

Lunch

- 1 Chef Boyardee Pasta Bowl. Follow the directions on the cup and ask an adult for help.
- 1 Apple Sauce Cup
- 1 Pudding Cup (in winter, this pudding is replaced by hot chocolate packet)

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MENU 2C (Two Day Weekend)

Day 1 Menu

Breakfast

1 Instant Oatmeal. Add hot water to oatmeal in bowl, stir. Ask an adult to help you with the water.

1 Fruit cup

Morning Snack

1 Bag of Whole Grain Goldfish Crackers

Lunch

- 1 Can Beanee Weanees. Follow directions on can and ask an adult to help you.
- 1 Pudding Cup (in winter, this pudding is replaced by hot chocolate packet)
- 1 Juice Drink

Day 2 Menu

Breakfast

1 Bowl of cereal. Add your own milk.

1 Fruit Cup

Morning Snack

- 1 Package of Raisins
- 1 Apple Sauce Cup

Lunch

- 1 Maruchan Instant Lunch. Follow the directions on the cup and ask an adult to help you.
- 1 Pudding Cup

MENU 2D (Two Day Weekend)

Day 1 Menu

Breakfast

1 Instant Oatmeal. Add hot water to oatmeal in bowl, stir. Ask an adult to help you with the water.

1 Fruit cup

Morning Snack

1 Granola Bar

Lunch

- 1 Easy Mac. Add water to macaroni in a bowl. Follow the directions on the packet. Ask an adult to help you.
- 1 Pudding Cup
- 1 Juice Drink

Day 2 Menu

Breakfast

- 1 Bowl of cereal. Add your own milk.
- 1 Fruit Cup

Morning Snack

- 1 Package of Teddy Grahams
- 1 Apple Sauce Cup

Lunch

- 1 Chef Boyardee Chicken & Veggies Rice Cup. Follow the directions on the cup and ask an adult for help.
- 1 Pudding Cup (in winter, this pudding is replaced by hot chocolate packet)

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Day 1 Menu

Breakfast

1 Instant Oatmeal. Add hot water to oatmeal in bowl, stir. Ask an adult to help you with the water.

1 Fruit cup

Morning Snack

1 Granola Bar

Lunch

- 1 Can Beanee Weanees. Follow directions on can and ask an adult to help you.
- 1 Pudding Cup
- 1 Juice Drink

Day 2 Menu

Breakfast

- 1 Bowl of cereal. Add your own milk.
- 1 Fruit Cup

Morning Snack

1 Package of Teddy Grahams

Lunch

- 1 Maruchan Instant Lunch. Follow the directions on the cup and ask an adult to help you.
- 1 Apple Sauce Cup
- 1 Pudding Cup (in winter, this pudding is replaced by hot chocolate packet)

Day 3 Menu Breakfast

- 1 Bowl of cereal. Add your own milk.
- 1 Apple Sauce Cup

Morning Snack

1 Package Peanut Butter Crackers

Lunch

- 1 Tuna Salad Kit
- 1 Pudding Cup (in winter, this pudding is replaced by hot chocolate packet)
- 1 Juice Drink

MENU 3B (Three Day Weekend)

Day 1 Menu

Breakfast

- 1 Bowl of cereal. Add your own milk.
- 1 Fruit cup

Morning Snack

1 Package Cheese Crackers

Lunch

- 1 Chef Boyardee Pasta Bowl. Follow directions on can and ask an adult to help you.
- 1 Pudding Cup
- 1 Juice Drink

Day 2 Menu

<u>Breakfast</u>

- 1 Instant Oatmeal. Add hot water to oatmeal in bowl, stir. Ask an adult to help you with the water.
- 1 Fruit Cup

Morning Snack

1 Package Goldfish Grahams

Lunch

- 1 Maruchan Instant Lunch. Follow the directions on the cup and ask an adult to help.
- 1 Apple Sauce Cup
- 1 Pudding Cup (in winter, this pudding is replaced by hot chocolate packet)

Day 3 Menu Breakfast

- 1 Bowl of cereal. Add your own milk.
- 1 Apple Sauce Cup

Morning Snack

- 1 Package Peanuts
- 1 Juice Drink

.Lunch

- 1 Packet Easy Mac. Follow the directions on the packet and ask an adult to help you.
- 1 Pudding Cup (in winter, this pudding is replaced by hot chocolate packet)

Notes:

For longer breaks such as MEA Weekend or Thanksgiving, we send home a combination of menus over a couple of days. During Winter Break we also add nutritious perishables such as; carrots, yogurt and fruit.

Our menus were planned and prepared by a registered dietitian and with the help of a nutrition team. We regularly review our menus to increase the nutritional value with new products. There are four constraints we have to work within for our program: 1) nonperishable, 2) single-serving (for weight purposes), 3) child-friendly and easy to prepare, and 4) cost. We do not include cookies, candies, or chips; although we do include popcorn once a month as a snack.

Our goal this year is to find a replacement for the Maruchan Instant Lunch cup due to its higher than ideal sodium and fat content. We welcome suggestions. Please send to nswanson@backpackfoodprogram.org