

CACFP MEAL PATTERN FOR OLDER CHILDREN

BREAKFAST	<i>Ages one through two years</i>	<i>Ages three through five years</i>	<i>Ages six through twelve years</i>
• Milk, fluid (Whole only for: 13-24 months; 1% or Fat Free req for: 2 yrs & +)	½ cup	¾ cup	1 cup
• Vegetable or fruit	¼ cup	½ cup	½ cup
• Grains/breads (whole grain or enriched): bread or rolls, muffins, etc. or cold dry cereal (volume or weight, whichever is less) or cooked cereal, pasta, noodle products, or cereal grains	½ slice ½ serving ¼ cup or 1/3 oz ¼ cup	½ slice ½ serving 1/3 cup or ½ oz ¼ cup	1 slice 1 serving ¾ cup or 1 oz ½ cup
LUNCH OR SUPPER			
• Milk, fluid (Whole only for: 13-24 months; 1% or Fat Free req for: 2 yrs & +)	½ cup	¾ cup	1 cup
• Vegetable and/or fruit (two or more kinds)	¼ cup total	½ cup total	¾ cup total
• Grains/breads (whole grain or enriched): bread or rolls, muffins, etc. or cooked pasta, noodle products, or cereal grains	½ slice ½ serving ¼ cup	½ slice ½ serving ¼ cup	1 slice 1 serving ½ cup
• Meat/meat alternates Lean meat, fish, or poultry (edible portion as served) or cheese (natural) or cottage cheese or egg (large) or yogurt, plain or flavored, unsweetened or sweetened or cooked dried beans or dried peas ⁱ or peanut butter, reduced-fat peanut butter, soynut butter, or other nut or seed butters or peanuts, soynuts, tree nuts, roasted peas, or seeds ⁱⁱ or an equivalent quantity of any combination of the above meat/meat alternates	1 oz 1 oz ¼ cup or 2 oz ½ egg ½ cup ¼ cup 2 Tbsp ½ oz**	1-½ oz 1-½ oz 3/8 cup or 3 oz ¾ egg ¾ cup 3/8 cup 3 Tbsp ¾ oz**	2 oz 2 oz ½ cup or 4 oz 1 egg 1 cup ½ cup 4 Tbsp 1 oz**
AM OR PM SUPPLEMENT (Select two of these four components) ⁱⁱⁱ			
• Milk, fluid (Whole only for: 13-24 months; 1% or Fat Free req for: 2 yrs & +)	½ cup	½ cup	1 cup
• Vegetable, fruit, or full-strength (100%) juice	½ cup	½ cup	¾ cup
• Grains/breads (whole grain or enriched): bread or rolls, muffins, etc. or cold dry cereal (volume or weight, whichever is less) or cooked cereal, pasta, noodle products, or cereal grains	½ slice ½ serving ¼ cup or 1/3 oz ¼ cup	½ slice ½ serving 1/3 cup or ½ oz ¼ cup	1 slice 1 serving ¾ cup or 1 oz ½ cup
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¹ Dried beans or dried peas may be used as a meat alternate or vegetable component, but *cannot* be counted as both components in the same meal.

² No more than 50 percent of the requirement shall be met with nuts or seeds. Nuts or seeds must be combined with another meat/meat alternate to fulfill the requirement. To determine combinations, 1 oz. of nuts or seeds is equal to 1 oz. of cooked lean meat, poultry, or fish. Roasted peas can count as a meat alternate or vegetable component, but *cannot* be counted as both in the same meal.

³ Juice *cannot* be served when milk is served as the only other component (ex. at snack). Fruit blended is considered juice (ex. in a smoothie)

⁴ If yogurt is used as the meat alternate component in supplements, milk *cannot* be used to satisfy the second component requirement. Commercially added fruit or nuts in flavored yogurt *cannot* be used to satisfy the second component requirement in supplements. Yogurt is not creditable in blended drinks (ex. smoothie).