

Summer—Week 1	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Breakfast Meal Pattern	Date:	Date:	Date:	Date:	Date:
/egetable, fruit or both	Blueberries ^{NC}	Pear Slices ^{NC}	Strawberries ^{NC}	Diced Peaches ^{NC}	Apple Slices ^{NC}
Meat /Meat Alternate* (optional)			Yogurt	Scrambled Eggs	Yogurt
Grains/Breads	Cinnamon Oatmeal	WG Waffle	Cheerios©	Enriched Grain Grits	WG Toast
Fluid Milk **	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**
Other Foods (optional)		Syrup			
Lunch or Supper Meal Pattern					
RECIPES & LINKS	Bean Tacos	Sweet & Sour Chicken	<u>Meat Lasagna</u>	Turkey & Cheese Sandwich	Cheese Pizza Pizza Crust
/egetable	Tomatoes ^{NC} & Romaine	Mashed Sweet Potatoes ^{NC}	Spinach & Cherry Tomato ^{NC} Salad	Red, Green & Yellow Pepper Platter ^{NC}	Carrot Sticks ^{NC}
-ruit	Nectarines ^{NC}	Sliced Grapes ^{NC}	Cantaloupe ^{NC}	Watermelon ^{NC}	Plumsnc
Meat / Meat Alternate*	Bean, Cheese	Chicken	Ground Beef	Turkey Lunch Meat, Cheese	Cheese
Grains/Breads	WG Tortilla	Brown Rice	WG Lasagna Noodles	WG Bread	Pizza Crust
Fluid Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**
			Dressing	Dressing	
Snack Pattern					
/egetable		Snow Peas ^{NC}		Carrot and Celery Sticks	
Fruit	Peach Slices ^{NC}		Honeydew Melon ^{NC}	Grape Juice	Applesauce
Meat / Meat Alternate*	Yogurt	Cheese Stick		Yogurt Dip	
Grains/Breads			Rice Cakes		WG Crackers
Fluid Milk**					
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Summer—Week 2	MONDAY Date:	TUESDAY Date:	WEDNESDAY Date:	THURSDAY Date:	FRIDAY Date:
Breakfast Meal Pattern					
Vegetable, fruit or both	Strawberries ^{NC}	Peach Slices ^{NC}	Blueberries ^{NC}	Banana Slices	Melon Mix ^{NC}
Meat /Meat Alternate* (optional)	Sunflower Seed Butter			Scrambled Eggs	Cottage Cheese
Grains/Breads	WG Mini-Bagel	Kix©	Pancake	WG Toast	WG Toast
Fluid Milk **	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**
Other Foods (optional)	Jelly		Syrup	Jelly	
Lunch or Supper Meal Pattern					
RECIPES & LINKS	Grilled Cheese and Tomato Sandwich	Meatballs w/ Tomato Sauce	Catch of the Day Fish	Sloppy Joes	Chicken Salad
Vegetable	Tomatoes & Snow Peas ^{NC}	Romaine, Cucumber, Tomato Salad _{NC}	Baked Zucchini & Squash ^{NC}	Corn on the Cob ^{NC}	Green Peas ^{NC}
Fruit	Watermelon ^{NC}	Very Berry Salad ^{NC}	Orange Wedges	Plumsnc	Strawberries ^{NC}
Meat / Meat Alternate*	Cheese	Ground Beef	Fish Fillet	Ground Beef	Chicken
Grains/Breads	WG Bread	WG Spaghetti Pasta	WG Couscous	WG Bun	WG Dinner Roll
Fluid Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**
Other Foods (optional)		Low Fat Dressing			
Snack Pattern					
Vegetable		Carrots and Celery Sticks ^{NC}	Broccoli		
Fruit	Peach Slices ^{NC}			Blueberries ^{NC}	Plumsnc
Meat / Meat Alternate*		Yogurt dip	Cheese Slices	Yogurt	Sunflower Seeds
Grains/Breads	Tortilla Chips	WG Crackers			WG Crackers
Fluid Milk**					

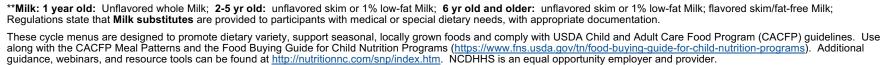
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Summer—Week 3	MONDAY Date:	TUESDAY Date:	WEDNESDAY Date:	THURSDAY Date:	FRIDAY Date:
Breakfast Meal Pattern					
Vegetable, fruit or both	Honeydew Melon ^{NC}	Blackberries ^{NC}	Diced Peaches ^{NC}	Pearsnc	Blueberries ^{NC}
Meat /Meat Alternate* (optional)	Scrambled Eggs		Cottage Cheese		Low-Fat Cheddar Cheese
Grains/Breads	WW Toast	Cheerios©	WG Mini-Bagel	Honey Bunches of Oats WG Honey Crunch©	Enriched Cheesy Grits
Fluid Milk **	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**
Other Foods (optional)			Jelly		
Lunch or Supper Meal Pattern					
RECIPES & LINKS	<u>Pizza Party Pita</u>	Turkey & Cheese Wrap	Volcanic Meatloaf	Black Bean Taco Salad	Chic Penne
Vegetable	Spinach, Green Snap Beans ^{NC}	Carrot ^{NC} & Celery Sticks	Corn on the Cob ^{NC}	Corn ^{NC} , Tomatoes ^{NC} , Romaine	Peppers & Onions ^{NC} , Spinach Salad, Broccoli
Fruit	Apple Slices ^{NC}	Cantaloupes ^{NC}	Grape Halves ^{NC}	Strawberries ^{NC}	Watermelon Wedges ^{NC}
Meat / Meat Alternate*	White Beans	Turkey Lunch Meat, Cheese	Lentils, Ground Beef, Egg Whites,	Black Beans	Chicken
Grains/Breads	WW Pita Bread	WG Tortilla	WG Dinner Roll	Brown Rice & Hard Tortilla Shell Bowl	WG Penne Pasta
Fluid Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**
Other Foods (optional)					Low-Fat Dressing Alfredo Sauce
Snack Pattern					
RECIPES & LINKS					
Vegetable		Celery		Snow Peas ^{NC}	
Fruit	Nectarines ^{NC}	Banana Slices ^{NC} Raisins	Apple Slices		Strawberries ^{NC}
Meat / Meat Alternate*	Yogurt	Yogurt		Hummus	String Cheese
Grains/Breads			WG Crackers	WG Pita Wedges	
Fluid Milk**					

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Summer—Week 4	MONDAY Date:	TUESDAY Date:	WEDNESDAY Date:	THURSDAY Date:	FRIDAY Date:
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Vegetable, fruit or both	Strawberries ^{NC}	Peaches ^{NC}	Melon Mix ^{NC}	Sliced Banana, Blueberry ^{NC}	Pear Halves ^{NC}
Meat /Meat Alternate* (optional)	Sunflower Seed Butter			Plain Low-Fat Yogurt	
Grains/Breads	WW English Muffin	Honey Kix©	Oatmeal	Muffin	Frosted Wheat©
Fluid Milk **	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**
Other Foods (optional)	Jelly				
Lunch or Supper Meal Pattern					
RECIPES & LINKS	<u>Tuna Salad</u>	Pulled Pork, Broccoli Salad Cornbread	Oven Baked Chicken	Hamburger	Crunchy Hawaiian Chicker Wrap
Vegetable	Cucumber, Carrots, and Tomato Saladno	Broccoli, Red Onion	Roasted Butternut Squash ^{NC}	Roasted Potatoes ^{NC}	Tomato Slices ^{NC} & Fresh Spinach ^{NC} , Broccoli, Carrots
Fruit	Nectarine Slices ^{NC}	Red & Green Grapes ^{NC} , Raisins	Plumsnc	Watermelon Rounds ^{NC}	Blueberries ^{NC} , Pineapple
Meat / Meat Alternate*	Canned Tuna	Pork	Chicken	Ground Beef	Diced Chicken
Grains/Breads	WG Pita Pocket	Cornbread	Brown Rice	WG Bun	WG Tortilla
Fluid Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**	Unflavored Milk**
Other Foods (optional)					Italian Dressing
Snack Pattern					
Vegetable		Green Bean Sticks ^{NC}			Salsanc
Fruit	Watermelon Rounds ^{NC}		Apple Slices ^{NC}	Blueberries ^{NC}	Pineapple Juice
Meat / Meat Alternate*		Low-Fat Cheddar Cheese	Cheese spread		
Grains/Breads	Pretzels	WG Crackers	Mini Rice Cakes	Chex Cereal	Tortilla Chips
Fluid Milk**				Unflavored Milk**	

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- These menus are designed to inspire programs to use seasonal, locally grown foods when possible.
- Recipes for the items listed in bold on the menu are linked to USDA-approved standardized recipes.
- Many foods can be choking hazards for children under four years of age. Please be sure to cut, steam, or mash them as appropriate. Avoid these foods altogether for children under age four: nuts and seeds, hot dogs, whole grapes, chunks of meat or cheese, hard chunks of raw vegetables or fruits (cuts into thin strips before serving). Encourage children to chew completely before swallowing to ensure safety.
- Want to find out what's in season in North Carolina? Download this colorful chart:
- What's in Season? North Carolina fruit and Vegetable Availability
- Step 4—Purchasing: NC CACFP Meal Planning Success Guide
- Like to learn more about Farm to Preschool? Gardening and Farm to Preschool Resources can be found on the North Carolina Nutrition Services Branch website: http://nutritionnc.com/snp/index.htm
- Farm to Preschool Toolkit—From the ASAP (Appalachian Sustainable Agriculture Program)
- Where's your Local Farmers Market or roadside stand?
- Local Food Directory: NC Farmers Market Directory
- Selecting Cereal to Meet the New Meal Pattern
- Healthier Cereal Choices for use in the North Carolina CACFP

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