## Food Project Requirements!!

A. For judging, each participant needs to

1. Know the information presented in the project book and insert and bring completed project book to judging.
2. Complete project per guidelines as listed in the project book.
3. Bring completed menu planning worksheet (included in packet or online at go.osu.edu/menuworksheet) using "My Plate" as a guide (www.choosemyplate.gov or in your book insert).
4. No place setting needed! Each participant will be asked to complete an activity on "Basic Table Setting". (information on table setting is found below).
5. Bring a "Presentation Portfolio" specific to the project book. Each participant will be responsible for bringing a small binder or three pronged folder that includes $81 / 2 " \times 11 "$ pages. The participant creates a maximum of one page (one-sided only) per "activity area" or "interest area" of the project book. Interest area suggestions can be found at https://ohio4h.org/nonlivestockguidebook, Food \& Nutrition Days. Ideas for these pages include collage, journaling, a timeline, and photos taken during the project, or any other format that would illustrate the work and knowledge of the participant. Each page could be different or could be a combination of styles allowing the 4 -Her to reflect on their learning experience. There will be no points for scrapbooking style. In addition, participant needs to include a page with pictures of a featured food item made using a recipe in the book. Be prepared to discuss this recipe during judging.
B. At judging, 4-H'ers are expected to know nutrition guidelines. As a general rule, 4-H'ers should know at least the following:

BEGINNING PROJECTS : All the Information on "My Plate" insert.
INTERMEDIATE \& ADVANCED PROJECTS: All the Information on "My Plate" insert, plus where nutrients, vitamins and minerals are found, and their functions in the body.
Members are strongly encouraged to take projects that are designed for their age and developmental skill level.
C. All county fair displays for food/nutrition projects will consist of an educational poster or display. (Presentation portfolio can be used as a fair display)
D. See additional requirements for specific projects in the Member Handbook and/or Project Guidelines.


## "The Presentation Portfolio" Example

(use a small binder or 3-prong folder) (Remember one-side of page only)
"Racing the Clock to Awesome Meals" Project Book

Page 1 Collage of pictures of teaching your 4-H club members how many fruit and vegetables servings they should eat each day.

Page 2 Timeline of safe handling of hot soup: preparation, cooking, cooling and refrigeration.

Page 3 Journal about attending camp and what you learned about physical activity and nutrition.

Page 4 "Featured" food item.

## TABLE SETTING

- A neat, attractive table setting adds to the enjoyment of any meal and is part of your 4-H Food and Nutrition project. Correct table setting involves placing dishes and flatware where they may be used easily. A knowledge of table setting prepares you to set the table AND to use the proper fork at the right time during the meal.
- Before you begin setting a table you MUST know the menu. Plan your place setting so that it is appropriate for the menu and the occasion.
- For 4-H judging you will use the dishes and silverware provided the day of judging.


Place setting:

1. Napkin
2. Dinner fork
3. Diner plate
4. Knife
5. Spoon
6. Water Glass

# Build a Strong Body! 

## RIBOFLAVIN (B2)

Keeps your eyes and skin healthy. Helps you have clear vision.

## PROTEIN

Supplies 4 calories per gram. Makes up part of every cell in the body. From your hair to your toes, you're made of protein.

## NIACIN

Helps you digest food and helps give you a good appetite.

## IRON

Forms hemoglobin which carries oxygen through the blood to the body. Prevents anemia that can cause you to be tired.

## CARBOHYDRATE

Supplies energy-4 calories per gram. Some carbohydrates provide fiber which helps in the elimination of waste from your body.

## VITAMIN C

Forms collagen that holds our cells together, speeds of healing of wounds and bones.

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Menu Planning Worksheet

Name $\qquad$
Club $\qquad$
Project $\qquad$

- Plan meals for one day including snack in the menu table.
- Transfer all foods written in the menu, into "one day of foods and drinks".
- Calculate number of servings put in "\# of servings per day".
- Check to see if your menu is balanced with the suggested number of servings each day.

| Your menu for one day (include items bringing to judging) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Breakfast |  | Lunch | Dinner |
|  |  |  | Snacks |
|  |  |  |  |

Your One Day of Food and Drink

| Number of <br> servings a day | Vegetable <br> $\mathbf{2 - 1 / 2}$ cups | Fruit <br> $\mathbf{1 - 1 / 2}$ cups | Meat <br> $\mathbf{5 - 1 / 2}$ ounces | Milk <br> $\mathbf{3}$ cups | Grains <br> $\mathbf{6}$ ounces |  <br> others |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Example: |  | $1 / 2$ c grapes |  | $1 / 2$ c low-fat milk <br> 1 string cheese | 1 c cooked oatmeal | $1 / 2$ tsp fat |
| Breakfast |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lunch |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dinner |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Snacks |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \# of serving for <br> day |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## MENU WRITING

Your menu must include......
Foods from "My Plate" Guidelines
Be practical for your project
Have meal appeal
Be written in menu form

## "My Plate" - attached or visit www.choosemyplate.gov

MEAL APPEAL
Color - Avoid clashing or unpleasant or all of the same color Flavor - Sweet, sour, tart or salty
Texture - Include soft, crisp or crunchy, chewy, hard or smooth Shape \& Size - Avoid too many of the same or similar shape or size

PRACTICALITY
Preparation Time Cost Per Serving
Family Likes \& Dislikes

Cost Per Serving Energy Use

| An example of a menu for one day (include items bringing to judging) |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner | Snacks |
| Oatmeal with Low-fat Milk <br> $1 / 2$ Cup Grapes <br> 1 String Cheese | Mixed Greens Salad with Tomatoes <br> Salad Dressing <br> Grilled Mexican Chicken <br> $1 / 2$ orange <br> 8 ozs. Low-fat milk | lilled Pork Chops <br> Baked Potato <br> Steamed Green Beans <br> Small Whole Wheat Dinner Roll <br> Butter <br> 8 ozs. Low-fat milk | Carrots <br> Celery Sticks <br> Cookie <br> Apple, Grapes, Pears <br> String Cheese |

Example of One Day of Food and Drink

| Number of servings per day | Vegetable <br> 2-1/2 cups | $\begin{gathered} \text { Fruit } \\ 1-1 / 2 \text { cups } \end{gathered}$ | Meat <br> 5-1/2 ounces | $\begin{gathered} \text { Milk } \\ 3 \text { cups } \end{gathered}$ | Grains 6 ounces | Fats \& sugar \& others |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Example: |  | 1/2 C grapes |  | 1/2 C. Low-fat milk 1 string cheese | oatmeal | 1/2 tsp fat |
| Breakfast |  | 1/2 banana | 1 egg - scrambled | 4 ozs. Low-fat Milk | 1 Slice Whole Wheat Toast | 1 tsp. grape jelly |
| Lunch | 1-1/2 Cups Lettuce Sliced tomatoes | 1/2 orange | 2 ozs. Grilled Mexican Chicken | 8 ozs. Low-fat Milk |  | 1 T. salad dressing |
| Dinner | Green Beans Baked Potato |  | 2 ozs. Pork Chop | 8 ozs. Low-fat Milk Non Fat Sour Cream | 1 Small Whole Wheat Dinner Roll | 1 tsp. Fat $1 / 2$ tsp. butter |
| Snacks | Carrot \& Celery Stick | 1/2 Apple |  |  |  | 1-2" cookies or 10 ginger snap |
| \# of serving for day | 2-1/2 Cups | 2 Cups | 5 ozs . | 3 cups | 6 ozs. | 3 T . |

## What's on your plate?



Before you eat, think about what and how much food goes on your plate or in your cup or bowl.

Over the day, include foods from all food groups: vegetables, fruits, whole grains, low-fat dairy products, and lean protein foods.


Vegetables
Eat more red, orange and dark green vegetables.

Fruits
Make half
your plate
fruits and vegetables.

## Exercise

Get 60 minutes or more of physical activity each day.

Where is MyPyramid? The MyPlate symbol and food guide system, released by USDA in 2011, replaces MyPyramid, but is based on the same food groups and recommendations. Information about what and how much to eat has not changed.

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## Making food choices for a healthy lifestyle can be as simple as using these 10 Tips.

Use the ideas in this list to balance your calories, to choose foods to eat more often, and to cut back on foods to eat less often.

1

## balance calories

Find out how many calories YOU need for a day as a first step in managing your weight. Go to www.ChooseMyPlate.gov to find your calorie level. Being physically active also helps you balance calories.

2enjoy your food, but eat less
Take the time to fully enjoy your food as you eat it. Eating too fast or when your attention is elsewhere may lead to eating too many calories. Pay attention to hunger and fullness cues before, during, and after meals. Use them to recognize when to eat and when you've had enough.

3

## avoid oversized portions

Use a smaller plate, bowl, and glass. Portion out foods before you eat. When eating out, choose a smaller size option, share a dish, or take home part of your meal.

4foods to eat more often
Eat more vegetables, fruits, whole grains, and fat-free or $1 \%$ milk and dairy products. These foods have the nutrients you need for health-including potassium, calcium, vitamin D, and fiber. Make them the basis for meals and snacks.

5make half your plate fruits and vegetables


Choose red, orange, and dark-green vegetables like tomatoes, sweet potatoes, and broccoli, along with other vegetables for your meals. Add fruit to meals as part of main or side dishes or as dessert.

6switch to fat-free or low-fat (1\%) milk They have the same amount of calcium and other essential nutrients as whole milk, but fewer calories and less saturated fat.


7make half your grains whole grains To eat more whole grains, substitute a whole-grain product for a refined product-such as eating wholewheat bread instead of white bread or brown rice instead of white rice.

8
foods to eat less often
Cut back on foods high in solid fats, added sugars, and salt. They include cakes, cookies, ice cream, candies, sweetened drinks, pizza, and fatty meats like ribs, sausages, bacon, and hot dogs. Use these foods as occasional treats, not everyday foods.

9
compare sodium in foods Use the Nutrition Facts label to choose lower sodium versions of foods like soup, bread, and frozen meals. Select canned foods labeled "low sodium," "reduced sodium," or "no salt added."


10drink water instead of sugary drinks Cut calories by drinking water or unsweetened beverages. Soda, energy drinks, and sports drinks are a major source of added sugar, and calories, in American diets.

