

Planning & prepping your lunches ahead of time can make it easier to meet your goals & save money. Use these tips to add more nutrition, variety, & flavor to your midday meal.

## Plan & Prep Tips:



#### Fruits & Veggies

Make half of your meal comprised of fruits & veggies.



#### **Healthy Fats**

Use moderate amounts of healthy fats such as: avocado, olive oil, nuts, & seeds.



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#### **Whole Grains**

Include whole grains such as: quinoa, brown rice, farro, or corn.



#### Proteins

Choose proteins such as: skinless chicken, lean meats, beans, tofu, seafood, eggs, & low-fat or fat-free dairy.



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### Prepare

Have a good mix of pre-made meals and grab and go options.

## Use & Repurpose Leftovers:

Plan to make more food at your evening meals so that you can use or repurpose your leftovers for lunch.

- Use leftover proteins in a wrap or salad.
- Cook extra rice or other grains & create a grain bowl.
- Soups, stews, and pasta dishes often heat up well for lunch leftovers.





# Be Ready with Grab & Go Options

Keep convenient grab & go foods on hand that make it easy to pack a lunch when you're in a hurry. Pair a few of these options together when you only have a minute to scan the fridge & pantry before heading out the door:

Well Yes!® POWER Soup Bowls
 Each bowl has 10g or more of protein, a good source of fiber, & is loaded with veggies.

#### Try these varieties:

- o Cajun-Style Chicken with Red Beans & Barley
- o Spiced Chickpea with Spinach & Quinoa
- o Southwest-Style Chicken with Black Bean, Corn & Farro
- o Veggie Chili with Black Beans & Whole Grains

- Part-skim String Cheese
- Pre-chopped Vegetables
- Low-fat Yogurt
- Hummus
- · Hard-boiled Eggs
- Fresh Fruit
- · Whole Grain Crackers
- Single Serve Nut Butter Packs
- · Goldfish® made with Whole Grain Crackers
- Emerald<sup>®</sup> Nuts

## **Shopping List**

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Apples Grape or C Oranges Broccoli Bananas Carrots Pears Bell Peppe Berries Sweet Pota Grapes Avocado Baby Spinach Hummus		☐ Well Yes!® P Bowls ☐ Emerald® Nu ☐ Goldfish® Ba Whole Grain ☐ Low Sodium Vegetable Ju	ked with Crackers  V8® 100%  Dried Fruit Single Serve Nur Butter Packs	t
Grains/Breads  Dairy  Quinoa  Brown Rice  Dairy  Low-fat Milk			Meat/Protein  Rotisserie Chicken or Raw Chicken Breast Lean Meat Frozen Shrimp/Fish Canned Chicken or Fish Tofu Eggs	
Pasta (if available, choose a high fiber option)  Pepperidge Farm® Whole Grain Breads	Mozzarella Cheese  Low-fat Yogurt			
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