# Treatment or Adolescents & Youth School Food Choices

- Learn to make good choices.
- Learn about healthy foods.
- Follow your meal plan.
- Plan ahead.

School lunches are supposed to provide 1/3 of your daily calorie needs and 1/3 of your daily vitamins and minerals. So, if you do not eat every lunch at school from the cafeteria you may not be getting all the nutrition you need.



But what about those school menus? Are all schools offering that 1/3? How can you be sure your school really is serving nutritious meals?

Be a nutritionist. Grade your school. Test the school lunch menu. Demand it pass.

#### How to grade a 1-week school lunch menu:

- 1 point each time there is a low-fat vegetable offered
- 1 point each time there is fresh or dried fruit offered
- > 1 point each time low-fat meatless main item is offered
- 2 points each time an item offered is baked, grilled, or steamed and not fried
- > 2 points each time a low-fat dairy food is offered
- 3 points each time the offered baked item is fish, turkey, or chicken
- Total possible points: 50

#### A=40 or more B=30 to 39 C=20 to 29 D=10 to 19 F= 9 or less

Use Lesson 4 in your Standard Diabetes Education Manual to help you.

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	Assorted Pizza	Turkey Chow Mein	Egg, Sausage &	Italian Dunkers	Assorted Pizza Hut			
	Hut Pizza		Cheese on an		Pizza			
		OR	English Muffin	OR				
	OR	Mini Corn Dogs	OR	Grilled Chicken	OR			
	Breaded Chicken		ON	Breast on a	Shaved Turkey on			
	Patty on a Bun	OR	Peanut butter	Bun	a Bun			
	OR	Breaded Chicken Nuggets	Uncrustable	OR	OR			
	Hot Ham &	Dinner Roll	OR	Hot Dog on a	Sloppy Joe on a			
	Cheese on a Bun		Cheeseburger on		Bun			
	Potato Wedges	California Blend	Bun		Whole Kernel Corn			
	Green Beans,	Pineapple Tidbits	Tator Tots	Cauliflower	Baby Carrots w/			
	Chilled Pears	Fortune Cookie	Applesauce	w/Dip	Dip			
	Fiesta Brownie,	Milk	Rice Krispie Treat,		Watermelon Slices			
	Milk		Milk	Sherbet	Chocolate Chip			
$\frown$				Milk	Cookie Milk			
				Points: 21	Grade: C			
	Try this one:							

Chicken sandwich Green beans	Cheese burgers sweet corn	Ham and cheese sandwich mashed potatoes	Ravioli Vegetables	Cheese pizza Tossed salad
			Points:	Grade:

Now grade your own school lunch menu for good nutrition. You have choices.

### Eating healthy at school is your responsibility!

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