

# Breakfast

#### Monday, February 3rd

Banana Muffin Cheese String

White Beans and Rice Green Beans Biscuit Cheese Pizza California Salad

#### Tuesday, February 4th

Waffles

Chicken and Maple Frito Pie - Chili, Cheese Sour Cream, Corn, Rice, Biscuit Chicken Ranch Sandwich Hot Dog w/ Chili

### Wednesday, February 5th

Yogurt w/ Granola

Oven Fried Chicken Tator Tots w/ Ketchup Broccoli, Biscuit Pepperoni Pizza Chicken Ranch Wrap

### Thursday, February 6th

Grits w/ Butter Sausage Links

Turkey Tacos w/ Salsa Cheese, Lettuce, Corn. Rice Meatball Sub Ciabatta Honey Mustard Chicken Sandwich

#### Friday, February 7th

Cinnamon Rolls w/ Icing

Hot Dog w/ Chili French Fries w/ Ketchup Turkey & Cheese Ciabatta Southwest Salad





### **American Heart Month**

February is known as American Heart Month. Cardiovascular disease affects over 17.5 million Americans, Heart



Month is meant to remind everyone that their health and their hearts come first. The first step is to make healthier choices and to exercise regularly. Try to eat an overall healthy dietary pattern that focuses on:

- 1) A variety of fruit and vegetables
- 2) Whole Grains
- 3) Fat free (skim) and/or low fat (1%) milk
- 4) A variety of fish that contain Omega 3 fatty acids
- 5) Limited saturated fat, trans fat, red meat, and sugar and sweets

It's also important to limit your cholesterol and salt intake when emphasizing good heart health. Choose foods with little to no added salt and aim to intake no more than 2,400 milligrams of sodium per day. Starting on the Dash Diet will help with lowering your sodium intake and allowing for greater overall heart health. Lastly, try to exercise for at least 150 minutes of moderate physical activity or 75 minutes of vigorous physical activity each week to maintain good heart health.

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# Available Daily

### All Meals Served With:

Low Fat White Milk Or Non Fat Chocolate Milk And Fresh Fruit or Fruit Juice Cereal & Cheese String Served Everyday as Alternate Breakfast

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### Monday, February 10th

Egg & Cheese Muffin

Meatball Marinara on Ciabatta, Steamed Corn Chicken Ranch Salad Baked Potato w/ Chili & Sour Cream

#### Tuesday, February 11th

Scrambled Eggs Biscuit w/ Jelly

Chicken Tenders, Potato Wedges w/ Ketchup Carrots w/ Ranch Biscuit Turkey & Cheese Panini Garden Salad w/ Ham

#### Wednesday, February 12th

Blueberry Muffin

**BBQ** Chicken Thigh Mac & Cheese, Baked Beans, Green Beans, Biscuit Hamburger, Dressing Cup Hot Dog w/ Chili

#### Thursday, February 13th

Maple Pancake Chicken Sausage Sandwich

Spaghetti and Meat Sauce Broccoli, Breadstick Honey Mustard Chicken Sandwich Chicken Parm Panini

#### Friday, February 14th

French Toast Sticks

Chicken & Sausage Gumbo Rice, Salad w/ Tomatoes Wheat Crackers, Pepperoni Pizza Buffalo Chicken Wrap

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# Breakfast Lunch

#### Monday, February 17th

Yogurt w/ Granola

Red Beans and Rice Carrots w/ Ranch, Cornbread Cheese Pizza

California Salad

#### Tuesday, February 18th

Maple Pancake Chicken Sandwich Hamburger w/ French Fries Dressing Cup, Broccoli Turkey & Cheese Panini Chicken Ranch Wrap

#### Wednesday, February 19th

Banana Muffin

Herb Roasted Chicken w/ Rice and Gravy, Peas Salad w/ Carrots, Biscuit Hamburger Dressing Cup Hot Dog w/ Chili & Cheese

#### Thursday, February 20th

Grits w/ Butter Sausage Links Lasagna, Green Beans Bread Stick

Pepperoni Pizza Chicken Caesar Salad

Friday, February 21st No School

## February is National Cherry Month

February is national cherry month. Cherries are a great 100 calorie snack with less than a half gram of fat



per serving. They are rich in antioxidants, which help to prevent cancer and heart disease. Cherries contain melatonin, which helps the brain to regulate sleep cycles better. Cherries have an abundance of anthocyanin. These substances help to reduce pain related to inflammation, arthritis, and gout. Cherries are also rich in boron, which helps increase bone health with the help of magnesium and calcium.

## **Beet Health Benefits**

Beets are plentiful in the month of February. You can eat everything on them from their leaves to their roots. Beets have several ben-



efits as well. They are rich in Vitamin C to help with your immune system, and fiber. They are also rich in essential minerals like potassium to help with nerve and muscle function and manganese which helps your bones, liver, kidney, and pancreas stay strong. Beets also contain the B vitamin, Folate, which helps reduce birth defects. There are a variety of ways you can cook beets such as roasting or steaming, which helps to peel beets easily. You can also sauté the leafy stem, which gives the same taste as sautéed spinach. Shredding beets over salad or baking them into chips is also a great way to get the natural benefits of beets.



## Mardi Gras is February 25th

The Carnival season officially begins on the "Twelfth Night." Traditionally a King Cake is served during the



Mardi Gras season. The king cake was brought to New Orleans from France in 1870. A traditional king cake is oval shaped and a cross between a coffee cake and pastry. The top is decorated in three different colored sugars: purple, green, and gold. The purple color signifies "Justice," the green color signifies "Faith," and the gold color signifies "Power." Commonly, a tiny plastic baby is placed inside as a prize. The person that receives the baby is named "King" for a day and thought to host the next party and provide the next King Cake.

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