



Grains Component

Minimum Requirements for Schools

BREAKFAST

Grades	Daily	Weekly
K-5	1 oz eq	7-10 oz eq
6-8	1 oz eq	8-10 oz eq
9-12	1 oz eq	9-10 oz eq

LUNCH

Grades	Daily	Weekly
K-5	1 oz eq	8-9 oz eq
6-8	1 oz eq	8-10 oz eq
9-12	2 oz eq	10-12 oz eq

- At least 80% of grains offered weekly at lunch and breakfast must be whole grain-rich; the remaining grain items offered must be enriched.
- Up to 2 oz eq grains per week may be credited in the form of a grain-based dessert.

Note: At breakfast, schools may substitute 1 oz eq of grains after the minimum daily requirement is met.



This project was funded using U.S. Department of Agriculture grant funds. The USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

The University of Mississippi is an EEO/AA/Title VI/Title IX/Section 504/ADA/ADEA employer.

For more information and the nondiscrimination statement in other languages:
<https://www.fns.usda.gov/cr/fns-nondiscrimination-statement>

Except as provided below, you may freely use the text and information contained in this document for non-profit or educational use with no cost to the participant for the training providing the following credit is included. These materials may not be incorporated into other websites or textbooks and may not be sold.

Suggested Reference Citation:

Institute of Child Nutrition. (2023). *Meal pattern mini-poster: Grains component*. University, MS: Author.

The photographs and images in this document may be owned by third parties and used by the University of Mississippi under a licensing agreement. The university cannot, therefore, grant permission to use these images. Please contact helpdesk@theicn.org for more information.

© 2023, Institute of Child Nutrition, The University of Mississippi, School of Applied Sciences

02/28/2023