These sample menus can help you get started with meal planning. For more individualized menus or other suggestions, please see a dietitian.

## Breakfast Menus

For 30 grams Carbohydrate (2 Carb Choices) a meal

| Western Option |  | Chinese American Option |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 cup cooked oatmeal $1 / 2$ Tbs. nut butter, few sliced nuts 1 tsp brown sugar (can use sugar substitute such as splenda, equal or truvia) | 1 cup Greek yogurt <br> 1 Tbs. low fat granola | $1 / 2$ cup brown rice in soup, mix grain congee or oatmeal <br> 1 egg white, 3 oz . tofu <br> 1 tsp sesame powder | 2 slices whole wheat toast 1 pan fried egg 1 slice low fat cheese 1 slice tomato |
| $1 / 2$ whole grain English muffin <br> 1 Tbs. peanut butter 1 small fruit | $1 / 2$ cup whole grain cereals <br> 4 oz . skim milk <br> 1 small apple with <br> 1 Tbs. peanut butter | 1 cup of noodle or macaroni in soup 2 oz . chicken strips $1 / 4$ cup edamame and carrots | 1 medium meat/veggie bun <br> 1 cup unsweetened calcium-fortified soy milk |

## For 45 grams Carbohydrate (3 Carb Choices) a meal

| Western Option |  | Chinese American Option |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 cup cooked oatmeal $1 / 2$ Tbs. nut butter, few sliced nuts 1 tsp. brown sugar (can use sugar substitute such as splenda, equal or truvia) <br> 1 cup fruit salad | 1 cup flavored Greek yogurt $1 / 3$ cup low-fat granola | 1 cup brown rice in soup, mix grain congee or $11 / 2$ cups oatmeal 1 egg white, 3 oz . tofu 1 tsp . sesame powder | 2 slices whole wheat toast 1 pan fried egg 1 slice low fat cheese 1 slice tomato 1 cup $1 \%$ milk |
| 1 whole grain English muffin <br> 1 Tbs. peanut butter 1 small fruit | 1 cup whole grain cereal <br> 4 oz. skim milk <br> 1 small apple with <br> 1 Tbs. peanut butter | $11 / 2$ cups of noodle or macaroni in soup 2 oz . chicken strips $1 / 4$ cup edamame and carrots | 1 medium meat/veggie bun <br> 1 cup unsweetened, calcium-fortified soy milk 2 small tangerines |

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For 60 grams Carbohydrate (4 Carb Choices) a meal

| Western Option |  | Chinese American Option |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $11 / 2$ cups cooked oatmeal $1 / 2$ Tbs. nut butter, few sliced nuts 1 tsp. brown sugar (can use sugar substitute such as splenda, equal or truvia) | 1 cup flavored Greek yogurt <br> $1 / 3$ cup low fat granola 1 cup berries | 1 cup brown rice in soup, mix grain congee or $11 / 2$ cups oatmeal 1 egg white, 3 oz tofu 1 tsp . sesame powder 1 small orange | 2 slices whole wheat toast 1 pan fried egg 1 slice low fat cheese 1 slice tomato 1 cup $1 \%$ milk A small pear |
| 1 whole grain English muffin <br> 1 Tbs. peanut butter 1 medium fruit | 1 cup whole grain cereal 8 oz. skim milk 1 med apple with 1 Tbs. peanut butter | 2 cups of noodle or macaroni in soup 2 oz . chicken strips $1 / 2$ cup edamame and carrots | 2 medium meat/veggie bun 1 cup unsweetened, calcium fortified soy milk |

## Lunch Menus

## For 45 grams Carbohydrate (3 Carb Choices) a meal

| Western Option |  | Chinese American Option |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Tuna Sandwich: <br> 2 slices whole grain bread 2 oz . light tuna mix with 1 Tbs. light mayo, chopped celery/carrots 1 slice lettuce/tomato 1 small fruit or 1 cup of soup | Salad: <br> 3 cups mixed greens \& tomatoes, bell peppers 2-3 oz. turkey or chicken slices, or tuna <br> 1 Tbs. dried fruit $1 / 2$ cup beans <br> $1 / 4$ cup chopped nuts <br> 2 Tbs. light dressing | Dumplings: <br> 6 dumplings in soup $1 / 2$ cup cooked broccoli or other vegetables (e.g., Black fungus) <br> 1 small orange | Rice: <br> 1 cup brown rice or brown/white rice mix Ginger stir fry mushroom and chicken Mixed veggies soup: Needle mushroom, tomatoes, black fungus, cabbage in broth |
| Burger: <br> 1 regular fast food hamburger 1 oz baked chips or $1 / 2$ cup light ice cream or fruit 1 garden salad with 1 pkg. fat-free herb dressing | Pasta: <br> $2 / 3$ cup pasta <br> $1 / 2$ cup tomato sauce <br> 2-3 oz. ground turkey or <br> chicken <br> Salad <br> 2 Tbs. light dressing | Stir Fry Noodles <br> 1 cup noodles <br> 2-3 oz. of lean meat <br> $1 / 2$ cup of mixed color <br> veggies/ beans <br> 1 Tbs. of peanut or canola oil | Stir Fry Brown Rice <br> 1 cup brown rice <br> 1 Tbs. minced ginger $1 / 4$ cup edamame <br> 2 oz . lean meat or tofu <br> 2 pieces of seaweed, sliced <br> 1 Tbs. canola or peanut oil |

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For 60 grams Carbohydrate (4 Carb Choices) a meal

| Western Option |  | Chinese American Option |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Tuna Sandwich: <br> 2 slices whole grain bread 2 oz . light tuna mix with 1 Tbs. light mayo, chopped celery/carrots 1 slice lettuce/tomato 1 small fruit AND 1 cup soup | Salad: <br> 3 cups mixed greens \& tomatoes, bell peppers 2-3 oz. turkey or chicken slices, or tuna <br> 2 Tbs. dried fruit $1 / 2$ cup beans <br> $1 / 4$ cup chopped nuts <br> 2 Tbs. light dressing <br> 1 cup fruit salad OR 1 cup | Dumplings: <br> 9 dumplings in soup $1 / 2$ cup cooked broccoli or other vegetables (eg., black fungus) <br> 1 small orange | Rice: <br> 1 cup brown rice or brown/white rice mix Ginger stir fry mushroom and chicken Mixed veggies soup: Needle mushroom, tomatoes, black fungus, cabbage in broth 1 small fruit |
| Burger: <br> 1 regular fast food hamburger 2 oz baked chips or 1 cup light ice cream or medium fruit 1 garden salad with 1 pkg. fat-free herb dressing | Pasta: <br> 1 cup pasta $1 / 2$ cup tomato sauce 2-3 oz. ground turkey or chicken Salad 2 Tbs. light dressing 1 small fruit | Stir Fry Noodles <br> 1 cup noodles <br> 2-3 oz of lean meat <br> $1 / 2$ cup of mixed color <br> veggies/ beans <br> 1 Tbs. of peanut or canola oil 1 small fruit | Stir Fry Brown Rice <br> 1 cup brown rice <br> 1 Tbs. minced ginger <br> $1 / 4$ cup edamame <br> 2 oz. lean meat or tofu <br> 2 pieces of seaweed, <br> sliced <br> 1 Tbs. canola or peanut oil 1 cup cut up fruit |

## Dinner Menus

For 45 grams Carbohydrate (3 Carb Choices) a meal

| Western Option |  | Chinese American Option |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fish \& Potatoes: <br> 2 oz . sweet potato 1 cup green beans 3-4 oz. broiled fish $1 / 2$ cup applesauce 8 oz. skim milk 1 Tbs. lower-fat margarine | Turkey \& Mashed potatoes: <br> $1 / 2$ cup mashed potato <br> $1 / 2$ cup corn <br> 1 cup carrots <br> 1 small roll <br> 3-4 oz. turkey <br> 2 Tbs. gravy | Pan Fried Dumplings: <br> 6 dumplings Garlic stir fry broccoli or other vegetables <br> 1 small orange | Rice: <br> $3 / 4$ cup brown rice mixed with $1 / 4$ cup cooked oats, 1 tsp. black sesame powder Stir fry tomato, egg and tofu <br> Boiled bitter melon mixed with $1 / 2$ cup pineapple |
| Burger: <br> 1 hamburger bun 3-4 oz. lean hamburger patty <br> Lettuce, tomato $1 / 2$ cup pineapple | Chicken Kabobs <br> 2-4 oz grilled lightly marinated chicken cubes \& sliced bell peppers, summer squash and onions 5 oz. cut-up baked potatoes 1 cup fruit salad | Noodle Soup <br> 1 cup noodles in broth 2-3 oz. of lean meat $1 / 2$ cup of bean sprouts, Napa cabbage \& sliced carrots $1 / 4$ cup of seaweed | Cold Noodle <br> 1 cup soba noodle 2 oz. sliced chicken 1 tsp. sesame seeds $1 / 4$ cup peanut sauce 1 cup Wakame bean sprouts salad 1 cup Miso soup |

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For 60 grams Carbohydrate (4 Carb Choices) a meal

| Western Option |  | Chinese American Option |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fish \& Potatoes: <br> 4 oz . sweet potato 1 cup green beans 3-4 oz. broiled fish $1 / 2$ cup applesauce 8 oz. skim milk 1 Tbsp. lower fat margarine | Turkey \& Mashed potatoes: <br> 1 cup mashed potato $1 / 2$ cup corn <br> 1 cup carrots 1 small roll 3-4 oz. turkey <br> 2 Tbsp. gravy | Pan Fried Dumplings: <br> 9 dumplings <br> Garlic stir fry broccoli or other vegetables <br> 1 small orange | Rice: <br> $2 / 3$ cup brown rice mixed with $1 / 3$ cup cooked oats, 1 tsp. black sesame powder Stir fry tomato, egg and tofu Boiled bitter melon mixed with <br> 1 cup pineapple |
| Burger: <br> 1 hamburger bun 3-4 oz. lean hamburger patty <br> Lettuce, tomato Small baked fries (3 oz) $1 / 2$ cup pineapple | Chicken Kabobs 2-4 oz grilled lightly marinated chicken cubes \& sliced bell peppers, summer squash and onions 5 oz. cut-up baked potatoes 2 cups fruit salad | Noodle Soup <br> $11 / 2$ cups noodles in broth 3-4 oz of lean meat $1 / 2$ cup of bean sprouts, Napa cabbage \& sliced carrots $1 / 4$ cup of seaweed | Cold Noodle <br> $11 / 2$ cups soba noodle 2 oz . sliced chicken 1 tsp sesame seeds $1 / 4$ cup peanut sauce 1 cup wakame bean sprouts salad 1 cup miso soup |

## For 75 grams Carbohydrate (5 Carb Choice) a meal

| Western Option |  | Chinese American Option |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Fish \& Potatoes: | Turkey \& Mashed | Pan Fried Dumplings: | Rice: |
| 4 oz. sweet potato | potatoes: | 12 dumplings | 1 cup brown rice mixed |
| 1 cup green beans | $11 / 2$ cups mashed | Garlic stir fry broccoli or | with $1 / 2$ cup cooked oats, |
| $3-4$ oz. broiled fish | potato | other vegetables | 1 tsp black sesame |
| 1 cup applesauce | $1 / 2$ cup corn |  | powder |
| 3 gingersnaps | 1 cup carrots | 1 small orange | Stir fry tomato, egg and |
| 8 oz. skim milk | 1 small roll |  | tofu |
| 1 Tbsp. lower fat | $3-4$ oz. turkey |  | Boiled bitter melon |
| margarine | 2 Tbsp. gravy |  |  |
|  |  |  | pined with 1 cup |
| Burger: | Chicken Kabobsle |  |  |
| 1 hamburger bun | $4-6$ oz grilled lightly | $11 / 2$ cups noodles in | $11 / 2$ cups soba noodle |
| $3-4$ oz. lean hamburger | marinated chicken | broth | 2 oz sliced chicken |
| patty | cubes \& sliced bell | $3-4$ oz of lean meat | 1 tsp sesame seeds |
| Lettuce, tomato | peppers, summer | $1 / 2$ cup of bean sprouts, | $1 / 4$ cup peanut sauce |
| Small baked fries (3 oz) | squash and onions | Napa cabbage $\&$ sliced | 1 cup wakame bean |
| 1 cup pineapple | 6 oz medium baked | carrots | sprouts, edamame |
|  | potato | $1 / 4$ cup of seaweed | salad |
|  | 2 cups fruit salad | 1 cup sliced apple | 1 cup miso soup |
|  | $1 / 2$ cup light ice cream |  |  |

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