

The best way to build a healthful eating plan with plenty of antioxidants is to eat well-balanced meals and snacks each day and to enjoy a wide variety of foods. For most children and adults, eating at least 2 cups of fruits and $21 / 2$ to 3 cups of vegetables daily is a good start for healthy living.


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Freedom Preparatory Academy Provo K-5 Breakfast Menu

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| 1 | 2 |  | 4 | 5 |
| 8 UBR (Ultimate Breakfast Round) | 9 <br> Pancakes <br> Compote | $10$ <br> Egg \& Sausage Muffin Sandwich | $11$ <br> Apple-Cinnamon Baked Oatmeal | $\stackrel{12}{\text { Blueberry Oat Bars }}$ |
| $15$ <br> Bagel \& Cream Cheese or PB\&J | ```1 6 Dutch Waffles with Berry Compote``` | $17$ <br> Scrambled Eggs w/sausage Wheat Toast | $18$ <br> Berry \& Yogurt Parfait Granola Wheat Toast | $19$ <br> Banana Muffin |
| $22$ <br> WG Cereal | $23$ <br> Breakfast on a Stick | $24$ <br> Ham, Egg \& Potato Breakfast Burrito | $25$ <br> Biscuits and Sausage Gravy | $\begin{gathered} \hline 26 \\ \text { Pumpkin Muffin } \end{gathered}$ |
| 29 Cinni-Mini | 30 Breakfast Pizza | All meals include milk and fruit. <br> Additional items offered: HB egg, Cottage cheese, yogurt \& string cheese. | This institution is an equal opportunity provider. | Prices K-5 $-\$ 1.70$ Adult $-\$ 3.00$ Extra Milk $-\$ 0.50$ All meals include MILK |

## Antioxidants Protect Healthy Cells

- The process of oxidation in the human body produces unstable chemicals called free radicals, which damage cell membranes and DNA.
- Free radicals have been linked to a variety of diseases (including heart disease, certain cancers, vision and aging problems). They are produced from exposure to things such as UV rays from the sun, pollution, and smoking.
- Antioxidants are compounds in foods that neutralize free radicals and help protect healthy cells from damage.
- Antioxidant supplements do not appear to work as well as the naturally occurring antioxidants in foods such as fruits and vegetables.


## Sources of Antioxidants

It's good to get a variety of antioxidants from different sources. Some of the best sources of antioxidants are deep-colored fruits and vegetables including:

Sweet potatoes, spinach and other dark leafy green vegetables, carrots, pumpkin, tomatoes, winter squash, broccoli, grapes, berries, eggplant, pomegranate, cherries, mangoes, apricots, watermelon, and peppers.

Other foods with different kinds of antioxidants or that are major sources of nutrients that are used to
 make antioxidants include:

Brussels sprouts, leeks, onions, garlic, turmeric, ginger, pepper, nuts, seeds, citrus fruits, apples, cabbage, cauliflower, legumes (such as lentils, beans \& dried peas), corn, bananas, pineapple, whole grains, kiwi, avocados, seafood, lean dairy, lean meat, dark chocolate, Brazil nuts, and more.

