Student Nutrition Program

Requirements for safe food handling based on available equipment

All Student Nutrition Programs must have:

1. Dedicated hand washing sink* 2. Sanitizing spray and test strips 3. Clean, dry, pest-free storage 4. One person with food safety training onsite**

Scenarios	Programs	Requirements	
Scenario 1- Site has: Limited Facilities ✓ Dedicated hand washing sink ✓ Refrigerator equipped with thermometer ✓ Preparation space	Can offer: ✓ Individually portioned foods from a larger package ✓ Pre-packaged foods ✓ Refrigerated food items (e.g. milk, hummus) ✓ Whole fruits that are unpeeled (e.g. bananas, oranges) ✓ Pre-washed whole vegetables & fruit ✓ Foods that have been prepared (washed, cut, portioned or cooked) in an inspected facility off-site (e.g. caterer) Cannot: X Prepare (wash, cut, or cook) foods on-site	 ✓ Use only disposable plates, cups, bowls, eating and serving utensils ✓ Distribute using bins or trays (non-food contact) 	
Scenario 2- Site has: ✓ Two-compartment sink ✓ Dedicated hand washing sink ✓ Refrigerator equipped with thermometer ✓ Preparation space	Can offer: ✓ Food items listed above and: ✓ Vegetables & fruit washed onsite ✓ Foods cut, portioned and prepared onsite	 ✓ Use only disposable plates, bowls, cups and eating utensils ✓ Use reusable or disposable serving utensils, service bowls and trays ✓ Distribute using bins or trays 	
Scenario 3- Site has: ✓ Three-compartment sink ✓ Dedicated hand washing sink ✓ Refrigerator equipped with thermometer ✓ Preparation space Scenario 4 - Site has: ✓ One, two or three-compartment sink ✓ Dishwasher*** ✓ Dedicated hand washing sink ✓ Refrigerator equipped with thermometer ✓ Preparation space	Can offer: ✓ All food items listed above	 ✓ Use reusable or disposable plates, cups and eating and serving utensils ✓ Use reusable or disposable serving utensils, service bowls and trays ✓ Distribute using bins or trays 	

^{*} Each dedicated hand washing sink must have hot & cold running water, soap in a dispenser and paper towel in a dispenser.

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^{**} At least one person trained in food safety within the past two years must be present at the SNP at all times.

^{***} All student nutrition programs using dishwashers must use one that meets the Ontario Food Premises Regulation 493/17.

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Limited Facilities Food Examples							
Vegetables & Fruit	Milk & Alternatives	Grains	Meat & Alternatives				
Individually prepackaged/ wrapped: Carrot sticks or Baby carrots Cherry tomatoes Snow peas or snap peas Green beans Red pepper slices Cucumber slices Unsweetened applesauce cup Fruit cups in juice or water Raisins Unpeeled whole fruit: Banana, orange or clementine Pre-washed: Apples, pears, plums Mini cucumbers	Milk & Alternatives Individually packaged: Milk Fortified soy beverage Yogurt (cups, drinks, tubes) Kefir Cheese strings/sticks Fresh cheese cups	Prepackaged/ wrapped: Whole grain or 100% whole wheat: Tortillas Bannock Rice Flat bread, naan, roti, chapatti, Breads, pita, bagels, buns, English muffins Melba toast and breadsticks Granola & cereal Granola bars Muffins (less than or equal to 8g of sugar per 30 g serving)	Individually packaged: Pre-boiled Eggs Hummus Nuts, seeds, nut butter (always follow your sites' anaphylaxis policy)				

Scenario 1 (Limited Facilities): Serve pre-washed, individually wrapped, pre-packaged foods. Use only disposable plates, cups and eating utensils. No on-site preparation.

Scenario 1 Meal	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Menu Example					
Week 1	Banana	Applesauce cups	Raisins	Clementines	Fruit cup
	Yogurt cup	Milk carton	Cheese String	Fresh cheese cup	Milk carton
	Granola bar	Melba toast	Crackers	Muffin	Naan & hummus
Week 2	Apple	Baby Carrots	Banana	Applesauce cups	Orange
	Milk carton	Cheese stick	Yogurt drink	Cheese stick	Kefir
	Granola Bar	Pitas	Muffin	Roti	Crackers
Week 3	Mini cucumbers	Snap peas	Green beans	Fruit cup	Baby carrots
	Cheese stick	Milk	Fresh cheese	Kefir	Yogurt drink
	Bread	Granola bar	Crackers	Bannock	Hummus

Based on the Nutrition Guideline for Student Nutrition Programs (SNP). Toronto Public Health (2017)