## Food Packing Guidelines

Breakfast: must include a grain, a fruit or vegetable (or a mix of the two) and milk.

Lunch: must include a meat/meat alternate, vegetable, fruit, grain and milk.
Snack: Pick two of the 4 components. For example, fruit \& grain or meat \& vegetable.
**Other snacks and treats do not satisfy USDA guidelines but may be packed in addition to.

| Component \#1 | Component \#2 | Component \#3 | Component \#4 |  |
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| Meat/Meat alternates <br> - Lean meat <br> - Poultry <br> - Fish <br> - Cheese <br> - Egg <br> - Cooked dry beans or peas <br> - Peanut butter or other nut butters <br> - Yogurt <br> - Peanuts, soy nuts, tree nuts or seeds | Vegetables <br> - Cucumbers <br> - Carrots <br> - Celery <br> - Green Salad <br> - Cherry Tomatoes <br> - Pickles <br> - Red/Yellow Peppers <br> - Snap Peas <br> - Broccoli <br> - Cauliflower <br> - Edamame | Fruits <br> - Strawberries <br> - Grapes <br> - Apples/ applesauce <br> - Watermelon <br> - Blueberries <br> - Raspberries <br> - Peaches <br> - Mango <br> - Cherries <br> - Cantaloupe <br> - Pineapple <br> - Oranges <br> - Bananas <br> - Dried fruit <br> - Canned fruit <br> - Raisins | Grains <br> (*Whole wheat recommended) <br> - Bread <br> - Biscuit <br> - Roll <br> - Muffin <br> - Bagel <br> - Tortillas <br> - Oatmeal <br> - Cereal <br> - Pasta <br> - Rice <br> - Granola/granola bars <br> - Crackers <br> - Pancakes <br> - Pretzels <br> - Croutons <br> - Popcorn <br> - Rice Cakes | - Fruit snacks <br> - Pudding <br> - Cookies <br> - Brownies <br> - Veggie Straws <br> - Rice Krispies treats <br> - Jello <br> - Chips |
| Sample lunches: -Ham \& cheese sandwich, carrots, applesauce and milk. <br> -Peanut butter \& jelly sandwich, celery, banana and milk. <br> Sample breakfast: -Cereal, strawberries and milk. |  |  |  |  |

