



Children's Party Ideas

Ludwig's Special Little Kid's Buffet Menu

Children's Buffet Party Menu includes . . .

- All~Beef Hot Dogs with fresh buns, mustard and ketchup*
- Home-Made white~meat Chicken Nuggets served with honey~mustard dipping sauce*
- Home~Made Mac & Cheese, made with fresh cream, milk, butter and cheddar cheese*
- Wagon~Wheel Pasta with Mini~Meatballs and Marinara Sauce*
- 3' PB&J Sandwich - Three feet of triple-decker, crustless white bread spread with smooth peanut butter and grape jelly, cut into approximately 36 easy-to-handle triangles.*
- Children's Buffet also includes plates, napkins, forks, serving spoons, sterno and use of chafing racks.*

Little Kid's Buffet Menu Serves 25 - 36 children.

No delivery - - Pick-up only.

\$395 plus sales tax.

A la Carte Menu . . .

*These items are not available individually ---
they are sold as an addition to one of our regular buffet menus.*

Full-Sized trays only, no half trays.

○ Fried Ravioli

Fresh Ravioli, breaded and deep-fried, served with marinara dipping sauce.\$75/tray

○ Chicken Nuggets

Home-made all white meat chicken, served with BBQ sauce or honey-mustard....\$75/tray

○ Home-Made Mac & Cheese..... \$75/tray

○ Home-Made Fish Sticks

Fresh filet of sole strips, breaded and deep-fried, served with lemon and tartar sauce...\$95/tray

*○ 3' French Bread Pizza**

Three foot long Italian bread half, topped with marinara sauce, mozzarella cheese and pepperoni. Cut into approximately 16 slices..... \$75

*○ 3' Grilled Cheese Sandwich**

Three feet of triple-decker white bread toasted with American and Swiss cheese, cut into approximately 36 triangles..... \$75

**These hot sandwiches are not always available. Please call to check availability.*

Ideas for Catering to Children

1. Ordering for Children at an *Adult Party*

Unless the party that you are planning is a "children's party", we suggest that you *do not* build your menu around the children who will be at the party - build it around the adults.

Manage your guest list as two separate lists, one for the adults, the other for the children.

Order for the adults as you normally would. In other words, if there will be 80 adults and 22 children, decide on a menu for the 80 adults first, then you can deal with the children separately.

After you have decided on a menu for the adults, the best option is to order a few individual trays for the youngsters, such as:

- home-made white-meat chicken tenders with honey-mustard sauce (\$75. per tray)
- fried ravioli (\$75. per tray)
- wagon-wheel pasta and mini-meatballs (\$75. per tray)
- macaroni and cheese (\$75. per tray)
- baked ham with pineapple (\$75. per tray)
- mashed potatoes (\$65. per tray)
- home-made fish-sticks (\$95. per tray)

This will end up costing less than if you tried to use a formula such as "3 children = 1 adult", etc.

It also gives the children their own "little buffet", with their own menu.

Their food can be opened earlier than the adults buffet, too, so the kids don't have to wait to eat! Just make sure that the other parents are aware of this setup, so they don't have to worry about serving the children from the adult buffet.

2. A Do-It-Yourself Drink Bar for the Kids!

When there are children at a party, make them feel special with a beverage bar set up just for them. Here are some ideas for kid-pleasing drinks . . .

- Do-it-yourself Smoothies:** Set out ice, apple juice, yogurt, bananas, berries and sliced peaches with a blender and let kids create (with supervision) their own cooling concoctions.
- Parlor Favorites:** Kids will love "drinking their dessert" when you offer root-beer floats, chocolate malts and super-thick vanilla shakes (with red licorice straws).
- Bit of the Bubbly:** Taking a cue from the classic Champagne Cocktail, pour chilled sparkling apple-cider or white grape juice into plastic flutes and add any of the following: a fresh strawberry, pureed fresh or canned peaches, some fresh-squeezed orange juice.
- French Sodas:** Mix any of the many flavored syrups available - including mint, raspberry, lemon, vanilla, and orange - with soda and pour over ice.
- Hot Chocolate:** Embellish this favorite with any of the following: marshmallows and/or whipped cream; cinnamon and vanilla, with an orange peel garnish; chopped peppermint candies and a candy cane swizzle stick.

3. Do-It-Yourself Sundaes

A Sundae Bar is a party in itself... the theme, the activity, and the food all rolled into one - one deliciously messy, fun-to-make dessert. It's a help-yourself buffet that begins with an assortment of different ice creams and includes several sauces as well as toppings limited only by the scope of your imagination. Use the list here as a jumping-off point; excess is the name of the game!

- *Assorted Ice Creams*
- *Toppings & Mix-ins*
 - Crumbled Brownies
 - Crumbled Cookies
 - M & M's
 - Chocolate Chips
 - Peanut Butter Chips
 - Chopped Nuts
 - Sliced Strawberries
 - Chopped Dried Fruit
- *Sauces*
 - Strawberry-Orange Compote
 - Hershey's or Fox's U-Bet Chocolate Syrup
 - Hot Caramel Sauce
- *Garnishes*
 - Whipped Cream
 - Cherries
 - Candy Sprinkles
 - Grated Chocolate
 - Shredded Coconut