## Meals and Snack Ideas for PWS

These menus and snacks are carbohydrate controlled ideas to help you form your own menus. PLANNING ahead is key. So make a week's worth of menus at a time so you don't need to think about food and what to serve at the last minute. Also, remember to post rules around mealtime behavior.

## Also, from a nutritional standpoint keep in mind...

1. Fresh food is best. Shop the perimeter of the store. The middle aisles carries mostly processed foods in packages.
2. If you are buying any packaged foods. Read the ingredient lists closely. I strongly advise that you avoid foods that have:
a. high fructose corn syrup
b. food dyes (FD\&C Blue 1, 2 or 3 , Red No. 40, Yellow 5 or 6 )
c. artificial flavors (often listed on the package as artificial)
d. preservatives (calcium propionate, sodium nitrate, sodium nitrite, sulfites, disodium EDTA.)
3. Each meal should have a nutrient dense source of carbohydrate (ideally $>3$ grams of fiber per serving if you are using grains), protein and fat to make it as nutritious as possible. Offer snacks that are higher in protein and fat.
4. Variety is very important. Feeding the same food every day is not ideal so mix it up.

For Breakfast

| Eggs scrambled with spinach and tomato Sliced orange | Greek yogurt Ground flaxseeds (1 teaspoon) Couple peanuts | 2 Hardboiled Eggs Fruit Cup | Tofu Scramble Fruit Salad | Wheat Tortilla with scrambled eggs, mushrooms, cheese | Oatmeal Blueberries Nuts | ```Cottage Cheese Fruit Ground flaxseeds (1 teaspoon)``` |
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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sliced apples } \\ & \text { Cheese } \\ & 1 / 4 \text { cup almonds } \end{aligned}$ | Peanuts Greek Yogurt Cantaloupe | Cinnamon oatmeal with small amount of agave sweetener, fresh fruit, Sprinkle of almonds | Cottage Cheese Fruit Salad | Oatmeal Ground Flaxseeds Raisins | Half Breakfast burrito with egg, vegetables (use whole wheat tortilla or lettuce leaves), cheese | Half avocado Cottage Cheese Lemon Pepper Grapes |
| Vegetable quiche Apple | Greek yogurt, mashed raspberries for flavor and nuts | Handful of nuts Piece of fruit | $1 / 2$ avocado <br> Whole wheat toast <br> 2 strips bacon | Whole grain toast with almond butter Pear | Berry Smoothie (Berries, Greek yogurt, spinach leaves and agave for sweetener) | Lox (smoked fish) cream cheese, chives on $1 / 2$ whole grain bread |
| Veggie omelet with mushrooms, spinach and cheese | Whole wheat toast with nut butter and a bit of honey | Cottage Cheese Cinnamon Sliced apples | Scrambled eggs with chicken sausage Sliced Orange | Small grainy muffin Handful nuts | Mashed avocado $1 / 2$ whole wheat pita Pear | Less Ripe Banana Peanut Butter |

## For Lunch

| Tuna salad scoop, tomatoes, cucumbers fruit salad | Tofu/Vegetable stir fry, brown rice | Vegetable soup, a piece of fruit, and half handful of nuts | Roast Beef Rolls: Roll nitrate free roast beef with lettuce, tomato, low-fat mayo; carrots | Hummus, tomato, cucumber and olives in a small whole grain wrap; fresh fruit | Nitrate Free Ham Slices Cheese Fruit Salad | Black beans Brown Rice Broccoli |
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| Salmon Salad Scoop Carrots/Red Peppers Cantaloupe | Chicken salad with sprouts Carrots/Peppers Pear | Lentil Soup Fruit Salad | 2 Hardboiled Eggs 2 Slices Bacon Berries | Mix together: <br> Edamame <br> Brown Rice <br> Cooked Spinach <br> Soy sauce for taste <br> Sliced Oranges | Greek Yogurt 1 teaspoon ground flax Berries Whole Wheat Toast | Taco salad with ground turkey, black beans, lettuce, salsa, cheese, avocado, tomato |
| Cheeseburger (no bread) Salad Berries | Tuna Salad Whole Wheat Pita Veggies/Dip | Chicken strips sweet potato, asparagus | Turkey slices, whole grain crackers, cheese, tomato, salad | Hummus in whole wheat pita with lettuce, cucumber, and onion; | Egg Salad Olives Fruit Salad | Beef and broccoli stir fry, brown rice berries |
| Bean Soup Salad Fruit | Turkey Burgers Red Pepper Slices Pear | Beef or Veggie Chili Salad | Hummus Veggies Olives Handful of nuts | Omelet with spinach, mushrooms, cheese Berries | Greek yogurt $1 / 2$ cup peanuts Carrots and Apples | Beef Stew Fruit Salad |

Sample DINNER Menus

| BBQ chicken Peas \& Corn Salad | Stir Fry Shrimp and Broccoli Brown Rice | "Taco Tuesdays" <br> (Lettuce leaves as the shells, taco flavored ground turkey, beans, onions, cheese, taco sauce or salsa and a bit of sour cream or Greek yogurt) | Baked Fish Quinoa Roasted Broccoli | Turkey Chili Green Salad Melon | Baked Chicken Sweet Potatoes Salad | Vegetable/Feta cheese Omelet Roasted Asparagus |
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| $\begin{gathered} \text { Ginger Salmon } \\ \text { Sautéed Spinach } \\ \text { Grapes } \end{gathered}$ | Make your own salad bar (Put bowls of the following for everyone to create their own: Mixed lettuce, tomatoes, cucumbers, chick peas, beans, low fat cheese, broccoli, carrots and oil based dressing or a lowfat dressing from the store) | Baked Chicken Brussels Sprouts Sweet Potato | Baked Fish Artichokes Sautéed Spinach | Meat Chili Salad | Grilled Chicken Quinoa Broccoli Berries | Sautéed Shrimp Roasted Carrots Salad |
| BBQ Salmon Roasted Carrots Broccoli | Teriyaki Chicken <br> Artichokes <br> Roasted parsnips | Vegetable Stir Fry with tofu, peppers, Bok Choy | Steak <br> Salad <br> Squash | Breakfast for Dinner! (likely using eggs) | Fish Steamed Pea Pods Sweet Potatoes | Hamburgers Salad <br> Grilled Onions |
| Pork <br> Quinoa <br> Roasted Asparagus | Lentil Soup Cut veggies/dip | Turkey Meatloaf Green Beans Sweet potato | Taco Night-make your own tacos or taco salad Berries | Fish Brown Rice Black Beans | Veggie Whole Wheat Pizza Fruit Salad | Salmon <br> Zucchini Roasted Carrots |

Snack Ideas
Please use caution with certain snack items, especially if your child is young, still learning to chew or has food allergies.

- Cut up vegetables (carrots, cucumbers, broccoli, mushrooms, zucchini, celery, peppers, cauliflower) with low-fat dips-(spinach, onion, dill or bean dips-made with plain yogurt-use garlic powder, salt, other herbs/spices to flavor yogurt for dip)
- Chunks of cheese and black olives
- Celery with nut butters (peanut, almond or cashew butter)
- Sliced apples/pears and peanut butter or cheese slices
- Whole wheat tortillas filled with guacamole or hummus or vegetables
- Peppers and bean dip
- Beef or Turkey "Jerky" (Trader Joes or other healthy food stores have some nice options. Let's be honest though..it's trial and error on taste)
- String cheese and nuts
- Cottage cheese and fresh fruit
- Pumpkin seeds and sliced apples
- Hard boiled eggs and carrots and peppers
- Edamame and raisins
- Yogurt and $1 / 4$ cup favorite very high fiber cereal
- Strawberries and blueberries with vanilla yogurt
- Vegetable soup with whole wheat crackers
- Baked corn chips with bean dip
- High fiber toast with ricotta cheese and sliced fruit
- Garbanzo beans and sliced apples


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