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## Online Nutrition Education

## Do it anytime, anywhere from your computer, tablet or smart phone!

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Over 20 lessons available in English and Spanish

## How to get started:

1. Go to wichealth.org
2. Create an account and set up your profile
3. Choose a lesson from one of the 5 categories
4. Complete the lesson
5. Fill out the survey
6. Remember your login \& PIN for next time


## Examples of lessons available:

- Eat Well - Spend Less!
- Preparing for a Healthy Pregnancy
- Starting Your Infant on Solid Foods
- Make Meals \& Snacks Simple
- Secrets For Feeding Picky Eaters
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Try clicking the blue "Help" tab on the top left of any page to submit a message. All questions are answered within 24 hours.

> This counts as your nutrition education!

## Fresh Fruits \& Vegetables

## Choose lower priced foods

## Organic allowed

- Your WIC Shopping List shows your cash value benefit amount (\$\$\$)
- If your fruit and vegetable purchase total is more than your benefit amount, you can pay the difference


## ALLOWED

- Any variety fresh fruit or vegetable without added sweetener or fat
- May be whole, cut, bagged or packaged


## * NOT ALLOWED

- Pre-cut fruits and vegetables with added preservatives (for example: sliced apples with ascorbic acid)
- Ornamental or decorative fruits or vegetables such as chili peppers or garlic on a string, gourds or painted pumpkins
- Salad kits with dressing or other added food items
- Herbs, spices, edible blossoms or flowers
- Fruit or vegetable party trays/platters
- Fruits or vegetables from salad bars
- Fruit and nut mixtures
- Fruit baskets


## Eat fruits and vegetables and your kids will too. They learn from watching you.

- Share the adventure. Shop together and let your child choose.
- Fix them together. Teach your child to tear lettuce or add vegetable toppings to pizza.
- Eat together. Enjoy new fruits and vegetables at meals and snacks.
- Take it with you. Show your child how fruit is a great snack to eat at the park or in the shopping mall. Put apples, oranges or bananas in your bag for quick snacks.


## Whole Grains

Your choices for whole grains are: brown rice, oatmeal, whole wheat or corn tortillas, pasta, whole wheat or whole grain breads and buns.

For every 1 LB of whole grain listed on your Shopping List, you can buy...

- 1 loaf bread, or
- 1 package buns, or
- 1 package tortillas, or
- 1 package pasta, or
- 1 container oatmeal, or
- 1 bag/box brown rice (14-16 oz)

Whole grain options with this symbol are gluten free.

## Oatmeal

## Choose lower priced foods

16 oz container = 1 LB


Kroger Simple Truth Old Fashioned Oats


Malt-O-Meal Mom's Best Naturals Old Fashioned Oats


Malt-O-Meal Mom's Best Naturals Quick Oats

No organic allowed


Our Family Old Fashioned Oats


Our Family Quick Oats

These oatmeals are a whole grain choice, NOT a cereal choice.

## Brown Rice

## Choose lower priced foods

## 16 oz bag = 1 LB

-14-16 oz bag/box = 1 LB

- 28-32 oz bag/box $=2$ LB


## ALLOWED

- Plain, dry brown rice without added herbs, seasonings or beans
- Regular, instant and boil-in-bag type


No organic allowed


## - N NOT ALLOWED

- White rice, frozen brown rice
- Flavored rice, wild rice, rice mixes
- Bulk, tubs, microwavable pouches
- Specialty brands, like Lundberg


## Whole Wheat Pasta

## Choose lower priced foods

Organic allowed
16 oz package = 1 LB

## ALLOWED

- Whole Wheat/Whole Grain ONLY
- Any shape such as elbows, penne, rotini, spaghetti and spirals



## * NOT ALLOWED

- Pasta with added sugar, fats, oils or salts
- Pasta made from rice, quinoa, flax, corn or vegetables
- These brands and types ONLY


Value.



- Whole Wheat
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- Whole Wheat
- Whole Wheat
- Whole Wheat
- Whole Wheat Whole Grain
- Whole Wheat
- Whole Wheat


## Spartan

- Whole Wheat


## Breads

## Choose lower priced foods

No organic allowed

## 16 oz loaf = 1 LB

- These brands and types ONLY


Aunt Millie's
Healthy Goodness Whole Grain White


Best Choice
100\% Whole Wheat


Hearth Oven Bakers 100\% Whole Wheat


Nickles
Country Style 100\% Whole Wheat


Aunt Millie's
Swirl Whole Grain Raisin with Cinnamon


Bimbo
100\% Whole Wheat


Kroger 100\% Whole Wheat


Our Family 100\% Whole Wheat


Pepperidge Farm Jewish Rye
Whole Grain Rye Seeded


Aunt Millie's Healthy Goodness 100\% Whole Wheat


Bunny
100\% Whole Wheat


Meijer
Whole Grain White


Meijer 100\% Whole Wheat


Pepperidge Farm Light Style Soft Wheat


Pepperidge Farm
Stone Ground
$100 \%$ Whole Wheat


Pepperidge Farm Swirl 100\% Whole Wheat Cinnamon with Raisins


Pepperidge Farm Very Thin Sliced Soft 100\% Whole Wheat


Roman Meal Sungrain 100\% Whole Wheat


Spartan 100\% Whole Wheat


Village Hearth 100\% Whole Wheat

## Buns

## Choose lower priced foods

No organic allowed

## 16 oz package = 1 LB

- These brands and types ONLY



## Tortillas

## Choose lower priced foods

## 16 oz package = 1 LB

- These brands and types ONLY


Best Choice
Whole Wheat Soft Taco Size 12 count


Don Marcos
White Corn 18 count


Hacienda Whole Wheat Flour

12 count


La Banderita
Whole Wheat Soft Taco 10 count


Best Choice
Corn Taco Size 24 count


Great Value
Whole Wheat Flour 10 count


Kroger
Whole Wheat Soft Taco Size
10 count


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Chi Chi's
Whole Wheat Fajita Style 8 count


Hacienda
Corn Maiz
18 count


La Banderita Whole Wheat Fajita 16 count


La Banderita
Corn
14 count


Meijer
Soft Taco Whole Wheat 8 count


Mission
Whole Wheat Fajita Style 16 count


ShurFine
Whole Wheat Fajita Style 8 count


Tortillas Tita
Corn
18 count


Mission
Yellow Corn Extra Thin 24 count


Ortega
Whole Wheat 10 count


Spartan
Whole Wheat Fajita Style 8 count


Mission
Whole Wheat
10 count


ShurFine White Corn 18 count


Tio Santi
Whole Wheat 10 count


Tortillas Tita Corn Enchilada Style 18 count


Give yourself and those you love the goodness of whole grains.

Make at least half of the grains you eat whole grains. WIC whole grains, such as bread, tortillas and pasta can help you maintain a healthy weight and are good for your overall health.

## Cold Cereals

## Choose lower priced foods

No organic allowed

## All WIC cereals provide a good source of iron

* Cereals with this symbol provide $100 \%$ of the Recommended Dietary Allowance for folic acid

Cereals with this symbol are made with whole grains and are a good source of fiberCereals with this symbol are gluten free

- These brands and flavors ONLY


## General Mills




Mini Spooners
Strawberry Cream
16 oz or larger

## Post



Bran Flakes
16 oz or larger


Great Grains
Banana Nut Crunch
12 oz or larger


Honey Bunches of Oats
Almonds
16 oz or larger
Quaker


Life
Original
16 oz or larger


Honey Bunches of Oats
Whole Grain Vanilla Bunches
16 oz or larger


Honey Bunches of Oats
Honey Roasted 16 oz or larger


Honey Bunches of Oats
Whole Grain Honey Crunch
16 oz or larger

## Cold Cereals

Choose lower priced foods
No organic allowed
Quaker (continued)


Oatmeal Squares
Brown Sugar 12 oz or larger


Oatmeal Squares
Cinnamon
12 oz or larger


Oatmeal Squares
Golden Maple
12 oz or larger


Honey Nut
12 oz or larger

Store Brands:
11 oz or larger

- Best Choice
- Centrella
- Essential Everyday
- Great Value
- Hy-Top
- IGA
- Kiggins
- Kroger
- Meijer
- Nature's Crunch
- Our Family
- Parade
- ShurFine
- Spartan


Crispy Rice


Frosted Shredded Wheat


Toasted Oats
Plain and Multigrain

Ways to buy up to 36 oz of hot and cold cereals
You may combine cereals up to a total of 36 ounces per month.


18 oz
$\begin{array}{r}+18 \mathrm{oz} \\ \hline 36 \mathrm{oz}\end{array}$


11.8 oz
$\begin{array}{r}+24.0 \mathrm{oz} \\ \hline 35.8 \mathrm{oz}\end{array}$


## Hot Cereals

## Choose lower priced foods

No organic allowed
All WIC cereals provide a good source of iron

* Cereals with this symbol provide 100\% of the Recommended Dietary Allowance for folic acid

Cereals with this symbol are made with whole grains and are a good source of fiber

Cereals with this symbol are gluten free

- These brands and flavors ONLY



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Instant Oatmeal ONLY
11 oz or larger


Quaker Instant Grits Original \& Butter Flavor Individual Packets ONLY 11 oz or larger


Quaker Instant Oatmeal Original Flavor Individual Packets ONLY 11 oz or larger


Store Brand Instant Oatmeal Regular Flavor Individual Packets ONLY: America's Choice, Essential Everyday, Great Value, Hy-Top, IGA, Kroger, Meijer, Our Family, Parade, Roundy's, ShurFine, Spartan 11 oz or larger

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## Breakfast Starts the Day Strong!

Eating breakfast gives you and your child energy. Without breakfast, you and your child may feel hungry, making it hard to focus and learn.
Let them help you plan breakfast and set the table!

## Breastfeeding

## Every Ounce Counts

Breastfeeding is convenient!
Always ready, no bottles or mixing required.

Moms have the right to breastfeed their children anytime, anywhere.
It is the law in Michigan.


Marquette Harbor Lighthouse, Marquette

## What WIC Clients Say About Breastfeeding...

"As a new mom, I was scared and had lots of questions, but talking to a peer counselor made me feel confident about breastfeeding.'
"It was a way to be closer to my daughter when I went back to work."
"My partner supported me by getting the baby ready and making me comfortable."

## Breastmilk has more of what baby needs



Michigan WIC has Breastfeeding Specialists and Peer Counselors to provide breastfeeding support at no cost. WIC can help with any of your questions or concerns.

## Infant Cereals

## Choose lower priced foods

- 8 oz or 16 oz container


## ALLOWED

- Any brand
- Dry infant cereal WITHOUT fruit, formula or DHA/ARA
- CHOOSE ONLY: barley, corn, mixed grain, multigrain, oatmeal, rice, whole wheat


## Infant Fruits \& Vegetables

Choose lower priced foods
No organic allowed

- For infants 6 through 11 months ONLY
- These brands ONLY



## ALLOWED

- 4 oz glass jars or plastic tubs ONLY (multipacks allowed)
- Any variety single fruit or vegetable (example: apple sauce or sweet peas)
- Any variety mixed fruits and/or vegetables (example: apples and bananas, mixed vegetables, sweet potatoes and apples)


## * NOT ALLOWED

- Added meat, sugar, salt or DHA
- Dinners
- Yogurt blends
- Added cereal, flour, starches
- Desserts (for example, juice \& fruit blends, pudding or cobbler)
- Squeeze pouches


## Infant Meats

## Choose lower priced foods

- ONLY for breastfeeding infants 6 through 11 months who are NOT receiving formula from WIC
- These brands ONLY


## ALLOWED

- 2.5 oz containers ONLY
- Single meat varieties ONLY, with broth or gravy


## No organic allowed

## Beech-Nut

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## - NOT ALLOWED

- Added sugar or salt
- Added fruit, vegetables, rice or pasta (for example: dinners, casseroles, soups or stews)
- Meat sticks


Health
Bite
Be sure your infant is ready to eat foods.
To eat foods, your infant must be able to:

- Sit and hold her head steady
- Show he wants food by opening his mouth
- Show she doesn't want food by closing her mouth or turning her head


## Bean \& Peanut Butter Choices:

If your Shopping List shows:

## 1 JAR 16-18OZPNUTBTR,LB DRY,15-16OZCN BEAN



## Beans, Lentils \& Peas

## Choose lower priced foods

No organic allowed

## * NOT ALLOWED DRY

- Barzi beans
- Dry beans with seasoning packets
- 16 oz (1 LB) package


## ALLOWED DRY




## Peanut Butter

Choose lower priced foods
No organic allowed

## ALLOWED

- 16-18 oz jar
- Smooth, creamy, crunchy, extra crunchy

- NOT ALLOWED
- Specialty brands, like Arrow Head Mills, Fifty50
- Peanut butter mixed with jelly, marshmallow, honey, chocolate or other flavorings
- Reduced fat peanut butter
- Peanut spread
- Peanut butter with DHA or Omega 3


Bite
Your kids learn from watching you enjoy healthy foods.

Teach how foods help them learn, grow and be strong.

- Fresh fruits and vegetables help them fight sickness and stay fit.
- Whole grains give them energy to grow and learn.
- Milk makes their bones and teeth strong.
- Beans and peanut butter give them healthy blood and strong muscles.


## Canned Fish

## Choose lower priced foods

No organic allowed


Bumble Bee Pink Salmon

5 oz can


Any Brand Chunk light tuna in water or oil

5 oz can


- not Allowed
- Albacore tuna
- Low sodium tuna or salmon
- Foil packages or pouches
- Lunch packs, lunch kits
- Chunk white tuna
- Tuna with seasoning
- Prime or smoked salmon fillets


## Milk

## Choose lower priced foods

## ALLOWED

- Fat free milk (skim)
- Low fat milk (½\%, 1\%)
- Buttermilk


## ALLOWED

## Only if on your WIC Shopping List

- Reduced fat milk (2\%)
- Whole milk
- Powdered milk (nonfat dry) 25.6 oz, 32 oz, 64 oz
- Evaporated milk (skim, 2\%, whole)
- Lactose free milk (skim, $1 \%, 2 \%$, whole)


## No organic allowed

## * NOT ALLOWED

- Chocolate or flavored milk
- Evaporated filled
- Nut or grain milk (like almond or rice)
- Guernsey
- Value added (Kid's Milk, Fairlife, Fit Milk, Over the Moon)
- Vitamite
- Glass bottles
- Unhomogenized
- UHT milk

If your Shopping List shows 'QT or Equiv,' use this guide.


Health
Bite
Did you know? Skim, 1\% or 2\% milk has the same amount of Vitamin D, calcium and protein as whole milk. Just less fat and fewer calories!

## Yogurt

## Choose lower priced foods

- 32 oz tubs
- 4 oz 4-pack (16 oz total)
- 4 oz 8-pack (32 oz total)


## ALLOWED

- Nonfat or lowfat ONLY
- Plain or any flavor
- Fruit on the bottom



## * NOT ALLOWED

- Whole milk yogurt
- Yogurts with separate mix-in items such as candy, granola or nuts
- Greek yogurt
- Artificial sweeteners (for example: aspartame, sucralose or saccharine)
- Yogurt in bottles (drinkable), tubes or pouches
- Activia




## meijer




## Cheese

## Choose lower priced foods

## No organic allowed

- See your WIC Shopping List for allowed maximum cheese price
- 16 oz (1 LB) ONLY
- U.S. made prepackaged cheese
- Low sodium and low fat cheese of any allowed type


ALLOWED

- Cheddar
- Colby
- Colby Jack (Cojack)
- Monterey Jack
- Mozzarella
- Muenster
- Provolone
- Swiss

Without individual wrapping:

- American
- String
* NOT ALLOWED
- Imported cheese
- Sliced cheese, except American
- Individually wrapped cheese slices (singles), sticks or strings
- Cheese foods (for example: Velveeta)
- Cheese products, whips or spreads
- Shredded, grated, cubed, crumbles, shapes or curds
- Smoked cheese or raw milk cheese
- Variety wheels or variety packs
- Cracker Backers or Stackers
- Cheese with pimento, peppers, seeds, meat, etc.
- Soy, farmer or goat cheese
- Fresh mozzarella


## Eggs

Choose lower priced foods
No organic allowed

## 1 dozen

## ALLOWED

- Grade A or AA
- Medium or large
- White ONLY


## * NOT ALLOWED

- Extra large or jumbo
- Free range, cage free, low cholesterol, Omega 3 or pasteurized
- Eggland's Best


## Soy Beverage

## Choose lower priced foods

ALLOWED only if your WIC Shopping List message is: 'QT or Equiv Soy Beverage'

- 1 quart $=32 \mathrm{oz} \mid 2$ quarts $=64 \mathrm{oz}$
- These brands and flavors ONLY



## Juices for Children

## Choose lower priced foods

## 64 oz PLASTIC

## 100\% Juice \& 120\% Vitamin C

- Added calcium allowed


Store Brand Juice Any store brand fruit or vegetable juice


Everfresh
Apple, Kiwi Strawberry, Orange


Juicy Juice Any flavor


Old Orchard Any flavor
Indian Summer Apple Juice only


Welch's Grape Juice Grape, White Grape, Red Grape ONLY (added calcium is NOT ALLOWED for Welch's)

## Tips for choosing a WIC juice

Is it one of the fruit or vegetable juices listed on these pages?

Is it a 48 or 64 oz container, or an 11.5 to 12 oz concentrate?

Is it $100 \%$ juice?
Does it have at least 120\%
Vitamin C?

## Nutrition Facts

Serving Size 8 fl oz ( 240 mL )
Servings Per Container 8

| Amount Per Serving |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| Calories 120 | Fat Cal. 0 |
|  | \% Daily Value * |
| Total Fat 0 g | $0 \%$ |
| Cholesterol 0 g | $\mathbf{0 \%}$ |
| Sodium 25 mg | $\mathbf{1 \%}$ |
| Potassium 280 mg | $\mathbf{8 \%}$ |
| Total Carb 29 g | $10 \%$ |
| Sugars 27 g |  |
| Protein 0 | $\mathbf{0 \%}$ |
| Vitamin A | $\mathbf{0 \%}$ |
| Vitamin C | $\mathbf{1 2 0 \%}$ |
| Calcium | $\mathbf{0 \%}$ |
| Iron | $\mathbf{2 \%}$ |

This 100\% juice example has 120\% Vitamin C; this item is allowed.

## Juices for Women

## Choose lower priced foods

## 48 oz PLASTIC

100\% Juice \& 120\% Vitamin C

- Added calcium allowed


Store Brand Juice Any store brand fruit or vegetable juice


Juicy Juice Any flavor


## Juice: good or bad?

Small amounts of WIC juice are a good source of Vitamin C.

Be sure to eat plenty of fresh fruits and vegetables to get more fiber in your diet.

## Frozen - 11.5 oz and 12 oz

## Non-Frozen - 11.5 oz



Welch's
Any flavor with yellow band

## WIC Shopping Tips

- Take your MI-WIC Shopping List with you.
- If you have already used some food benefits, print a balance inquiry at the store to see what you can purchase today.
- Make sure the foods you buy with your WIC Bridge Card are WIC authorized.
- Make sure the foods you buy are on your MI-WIC Shopping List.
- Product availability can vary by store. Not all items can be found in all areas of the state.
- If your fruit and vegetable purchase total is more than your benefit amount, you can pay the difference.
- Coupons and store promotions may be used with your WIC Bridge Card.
- Choosing lower priced foods helps reduce costs and serve more WIC clients.


## About your MI WIC Bridge Card

- See your Michigan WIC Cardholder Training Brochure for important information.
- For problems, questions, or balance inquiries, call 1-888-678-8914 or visit


## https://www.connectebt.com/ebtcard/miwic/index.jsp.

- WIC foods cannot be purchased before the Starting Date or after midnight Eastern Standard Time on the Expiration Date of your WIC benefit period.



## WIC Fraud is Serious

## DON'T FALL FOR THE TRAP



BUYING, SELLING, OR TRADING WIC FOODS IS ILLEGAL!
If you buy, sell, or trade WIC foods, it could result in prosecution and/or disqualification from participating in the WIC Program.
1-800-CALL-WIC
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