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THINK FOOD

School Nutrition Programs Shipment 5 November 2016



USDA FOOD Shipment 5 Update

The USDA Foods shipment schedule and Think Food newsletters for SY 2016-2017 are located on the Office of Public Instruction (OPI) School Nutrition

website. This website is located at

http://opi.mt.gov/Programs/SchoolPrograms/School_Nutrition/USDA.htm. The shipment schedule is subject to change based on USDA Foods availability and warehouse space.

A Blast from the Past!

A recipe from November 1955

Pear Crisp

100 servings

Pears, sliced	4 ½ gallons
Lemon Juice	1 cup
Flour, sifted	5 cups
Oatmeal, Quick Cook	4 quarts
Brown Sugar	1 quart
Salt	2 Tbsp
Nutmeg	2 Tbsp
Honey	1 quart
Butter, Melted	1 quart

Place pears in baking pans. Sprinkle with lemon juice. Combine dry ingredients. Mix honey with melted butter and add to dry ingredients. Mix until crumbly. Sprinkle over pears. Bake at 375°F for 30 minutes or until pears are tender. Serve warm or cold.

USDA Food Delays

- Macaroni noodles have arrived and will be going out on Shipment 5. Yay! 😊
- Salsa has been delayed by the manufacture and will not go out on Shipment 5. It will go out on the next available shipment once it arrives. Here is the response I received from USDA regarding this:

“There seems to be an issue with the vendor and bid prices. They have filed a protest and once the issue is resolved shipments will resume. We will keep you updated as we get more information but just know this are on hold and will be late.”

“Extras” List

If you have extra entitlement left to use it will be written at the bottom of your Notice of Shipment report included in this mailing. After the first of the year the extra items will be opened back up to everyone on a first come first serve basis.

Extra requests are due to Tessa Bailly at tbailly@mt.gov by Monday October 31, 2016.

Food Item	Cases Available	Price/Case
Tortillas, 8 inch, frozen	662	\$14.57
Tuna, canned	661	\$46.63
Cheese, red fat, cheddar, shred	592	\$61.60
Green Beans, canned	497	\$16.84
Black Beans, canned	449	\$12.98
Cranberries, individual packs (300 – 1.16 oz/case)	398	\$35.00
Chicken Fajita Strips, frozen	397	\$47.68
Pulled Pork, unseasoned, cooked, frozen (8/5 lb pkgs)	358	\$112.90
Chicken, diced, frozen	357	\$92.92
Ham, sliced, frozen	352	\$76.58
Peas, frozen	322	\$18.10
Macaroni Noodles	313	\$7.14
Pork Leg Roasts, frozen	280	\$44.52
Ham, cooked, frozen	276	\$61.44
Potato Wedges, frozen	202	\$18.68
Rice, Brown	199	\$27.75
Vegetarian Beans, canned	191	\$14.12
Carrots, sliced, frozen	166	\$14.35
Unseasoned Chicken Strips	162	\$51.27
Pancakes, frozen	148	\$9.77

Cheese, yellow, shred, frozen	140	\$58.42
Turkey Deli, unsliced	135	\$136.96
Diced Tomatoes, canned	134	\$13.42
Ham, diced, frozen	117	\$76.57
Cheese, mozz, shredded, frozen	112	\$58.48
Orange Juice, singles, frozen	110	\$9.35
Eggs, frozen	104	\$21.31
Garbanzo Beans, canned	87	\$13.77
Peanut Butter	80	\$28.94
Flour, 100% Whole Wheat	77	\$9.20
Spaghetti Noodles	76	\$6.96
Tomato Paste, canned	73	\$23.07
Great Northern Beans, canned	71	\$13.73
Sweet Potatoes, canned	64	\$24.55
Tomato Sauce, canned	59	\$13.39
Turkey Deli, sliced	58	\$168.87
Blueberries, frozen	44	\$27.70
Oil, Vegetable	19	\$25.98

for these competitive grants is provided by the Fiscal Year 2016 Agriculture Appropriations Act.

- Read over this [list of equipment](#) to help you decide what you may need!
- Complete the [2016-17 School Nutrition Equipment Grant application to apply](#).
- Applications are due by November 4, 2016.

Please contact OPI School Nutrition Programs at 444-2501 or Camille McGoven at 444-4415 or cmcgoven@mt.gov with any questions.

[Montana School Nutrition Food Production Records Best Practices Webinar](#)

Thursday, October 27th from 2:00 to 3:00 pm
This webinar is directed to school nutrition program managers to learn time saving and helpful tips on creating accurate and useful meal production records. To register, go to:

http://montanaruralhealthinitiative.info/?page_id=16

You will be sent a confirmation email message with the link to use to join the webinar. If you can't attend it but want to watch it at a later date, go to this website (after November 1st) as a recording of the webinar will be available at this site:

<http://healthinfo.montana.edu/health-wellness/rhi-webinars.html> There are webinars on a variety of food and school nutrition topics that you may want to check out for training for your staff at this site. For more information, contact Montana Team Nutrition at (406) 994-5641 or kbark@mt.gov or stenberg@montana.edu

[No Kid Hungry Breakfast Grants Available](#)

This grant cycle runs October 3, 2016 through November 4, 2016. To submit an application visit

<http://grants.nokidhungry.org/dashboard>, then enter in the access code "MTBREAKFAST2017." Grants of up to \$5,000 per school will be awarded to schools that are implementing new breakfast programs or transitioning into an alternative breakfast model like *Breakfast in the Classroom* or *Grab and Go* to increase student participation in school meals. Please contact Linda Cleatus at lcleatus@mt.gov or 444-3925 with any questions.

[Montana Harvest of the Month Program](#)



Montana K-12 schools and afterschool programs can now register for the Montana Harvest of the Month program, which will begin

September 2016! The Montana Harvest of the Month program showcases Montana grown foods in Montana schools and communities. Each month, the schools participating in the program focus on promoting one locally grown item (e.g., winter squash) by serving it in a meal, offering taste tests to students, and doing educational lessons and activities surrounding both the nutritional and agricultural aspects of the food.

Montana Harvest of the Month is a perfect way to launch or grow a farm to school program as it provides an easy framework to follow and ready-to-use materials. More information and registration visit:

www.montana.edu/mtharvestofthemoth

[Apply for One of Thirteen \\$5,000 USDA School Nutrition Equipment Assistance Grants!](#)

The Office of Public Instruction will fund thirteen (13) \$5,000 equipment grants to school districts participating in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) across Montana. The equipment grants serve to assist school districts in providing healthier meals that meet updated meal patterns, with an emphasis on increasing fruits and vegetables in school meals, improving food safety, and expanding access. Funding

The Montana Office of Public Instruction provides vision, advocacy, support, and leadership for schools and communities to ensure that all students meet today's challenges and tomorrow's opportunities.