Nutrition Column

"March" into a Healthier You

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The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics celebrates the National Nutrition Month* in March every year. With this

year's theme "Go Further with Food", the concept of healthy living is extended to food conservation and food safety. Here are some ideas to "Go Further with Food" during the National Nutrition Month®:

- Eat the rainbow and make your plate colorful. Choose healthful food from different food groups and have multiple color in your everyday meals.
- **Check before shop.** Check your pantry and refrigerator to see what you already have before your grocery shopping.
- **Plan for the week.** Buy only the amount that can be eaten and plan ways to use leftovers later in the week.
- **Watch the portion.** Eat and drink the amount that's right for you.
- Handle your food safely. Practice food safety separate the raw and cooked food, cook and reheat food to 165°F of internal temperature, store food at 40°F or below in fridge or at 0°F in freezer.
- Have fun in life. Find the activities you enjoy and be physically active most days of the week.
- **Ask questions.** Consult a dietitian on choosing healthy food choices.

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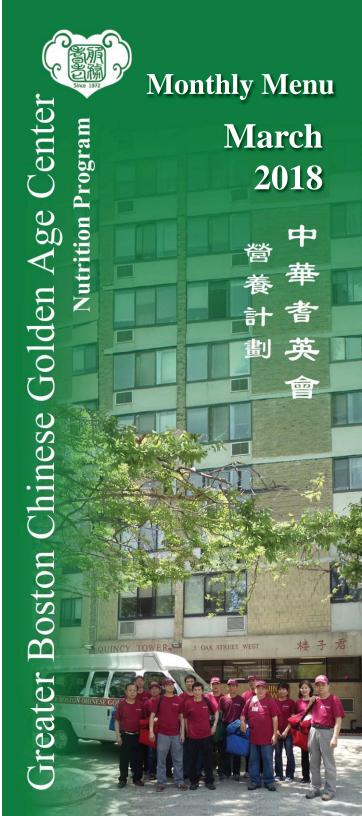
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Languages

Cantonese, Mandarin, Toisanese, Vietnamese, English



Please talk to your dietitian if you want to learn more.

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Monthly Menu

Monthly Special

* Indicated higher sodium items > 500 mg.

MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
						1	Sodium	2	Sodium
		* *	3	* 1		Baked Chicken with Chestnuts	216mg	Pork Ribs with Butternut	560 [*] mg
						Milk	125mg	•	125mg
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						Total	335mg	Total	678mg
35 %		38		* *		Calories: 584 kcal Sodium		Calories: 733 kcal	
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Baked White Fish with Black	350mg	Pork with Daikon Radish	215 _{mg}	Beef with Chinese Pickles	(N/A)	Orange-flavored Pork Ribs	157mg	Braised Chicken Wings	235mg
Bean Sauce Milk	125mg	Milk	125mg	Milk	125mg	Milk	125mg	Milk	125 mg
White Rice	11 mg	White Rice	11 _{mg}	White Rice	11 _{mg}	White Rice	11 _{mg}	White Rice	11 _{mg}
Total	469mg		334mg	Total	(N/A)	Total	276mg	Total	354mg
Calories: 472 kcal		Calories: 643 kcal		Recipe Under Testing		Calories: 656 kcal		Calories: 612 kcal	
12	Sodium	13	Sodium	14	Sodium	15 HIGH SODIUM DAY	Sodium	16	Sodium
Stir-fried Shrimps with	622 [*] mg	Curry Chicken Thigh	293 mg	Pork Ribs with Black Bean	167mg	White Fish with Sacha Sauce	(N/A)	Ground Pork with Eggplant	160mg
Edamame Milk	125 mg	Milk	125 mg	Sauce Milk	125 mg	Milk	125 mg	Milk	125 mg
White Rice	11 mg	White Rice	11 mg	White Rice	11 mg	White Rice	11 mg	White Rice	11 mg
Total	741mg	Total	411mg	Total	286mg		(N/A)	Total	279mg
Calories: 509 kcal		Calories: 761 kcal		Calories: 662 kcal		Recipe Under Testing		Calories: 523 kcal	
19	Sodium	20 HIGH SODIUM DAY	Sodium	21	Sodium	22	Sodium	23	Sodium
Stirfry Egg with Tomato and	(N/A)	Sliced Pork with Tobin Sauce	146 mg	Breaded white Fish with Sweet	302mg	Baked Chicken Wings with Curry	152mg	Stewed Minced Pork with Tofu	111 _{mg}
Minced Pork Milk	125 mg	Milk	125mg	and Sour Milk	125 mg	Coconut Milk	125 mg	Milk	125 mg
White Rice	11 mg	White Rice	11 mg	Sauce White Rice	11 _{mg}	Sauce White Rice	11 mg	White Rice	11 mg
Total	(N/A)	Total	265mg	Total	420mg	Total	270mg	Total	230mg
Recipe Under Testing		Calories: 595 kcal		Calories: 508 kcal		Calories: 628 kcal		Calories: 539 kcal	
26	Sodium	27	Sodium	28	Sodium		Sodium		Sodium
Sliced Pork with Five Spices	466mg	Chicken Thigh with Oyster	444mg	Pork Ribs with Taro	350mg	Sauteed Flounder Fillets	160 mg	Shrimps with Seasonal	622 [*] mg
Milk	125mg	Sauce Milk	125 mg	Milk	125 mg	Milk	125 mg	Vegetables Milk	125 mg
White Rice	11 _{mg}	White Rice	11 mg	White Rice	11 _{mg}	White Rice	11 mg	White Rice	11 mg
Total	585mg	Total	563mg	Total	469mg	Total	279mg		741 mg
Calories: 532 kcal		Calories: 783 kcal		Calories: 657 kcal		Calories: 465 kcal		Calories: 509 kcal	

Meals are based on a No Added Salt (3-4 gm sodium diet) for healthy older adult. If you have a special concern regarding sodium, contact the Dietitian for guidance on managing your intake to meet you diet requirements. The nutrition information above does not include vegetables nor fruits. Vegetables - calorie 30 - 60 kcal, sodium 60 - 150 mg; Fruits - calorie 71 - 105 kcal, sodium 1 - 2 mg.

Note: Fruits and vegetables listed on the menu are subject to change due to seasonal availability. We reserve the right to modify an entrée for holidays or special occasions.

Food Safety Guidelines:

If you choose not to eat your lunch right away, please put it in the refrigerator immediately. When you are ready to consume:

- 1. Slit the plastic cover open or peel it back
- 2. Re-heat in the microwave for 2-3 minutes
- 3. Preheat oven to 350° then place container on cookie sheet and heat for 10 20 minutes.

Caution: Oliver containers should never be put into a toaster oven.

