Easy, Breezy BREAKFAST IDEAS

An easy way to help make breakfast simple, quick, and stress-free! Always have a few "breakfast bases" on hand that can be prepared in minutes and are high in fiber and/or protein. Just add your favorite "add-in" for a boost of flavor and nutrition. Breakfast is ready!

BASE

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ADD-INS

Eggs Scrambled or Omelet-Style	VEGGIES	Peppers, mushrooms, onions, and more. Frozen or fresh, veggies for breakfast are a great way to start the day!
	GRAINS	Wrap up eggs in a whole-wheat wrap. Add salsa and beans to make it burrito style!
	DAIRY	Add cheese or stir in milk for creaminess. Go low-fat or fat-free to lower the calories and saturated fat.
	PRO TIP	Eggs can be made even faster in the microwave. Click <u>here</u> or visit www.incredibleegg.org and search "microwave" to learn how!
Whole Grains Waffles, Bagels, or Toast	FRUIT	For waffles, try microwaved frozen fruit instead of syrup. The fruit will be in a sweet liquid that you can drizzle on!
	NUTS/ SEEDS	Nut and seed butters are more filling and nutritious than butter or cream cheese. Peanut butter and bananas make a great combo!
	DAIRY	Have you ever tried cottage cheese on toast? You can make it sweet with fruit and honey or savory with tomatoes and avocado!
	PRO TIP	"Whole grain" should be listed as the first ingredient. Try bagel thins or ½ of a bagel. Modern-day bagels are super-sized!
Dairy Yogurt or Cottage Cheese	FRUIT	Any fruit works! Cut up fresh, swirl in applesauce, add canned, or microwave frozen fruit.
	NUTS/ SEEDS	A sprinkle of nuts like almonds, walnuts, and others can add healthy fat and protein.
	GRAINS	Add a favorite crunchy cereal or granola! Try to find brands without added sugar.
		For yogurt, go Greek for added protein. It's best to select plain yogurt over sugary flavored versions. Add flavor & sweetness with add-ins!



Oatmeal

FRUIT

NUTS/ SEEDS

DAIRY

Try cooking dried fruits with oatmeal. They become soft and delicious!

You can spoon and swirl in nut and seed butters too. They melt right into warm oatmeal!

Make oatmeal with 2% or fat-free milk. You can even add in yogurt to make it extra creamy!

Go for plain oatmeal rather than flavored oatmeal packets. Like with yogurt, the flavor comes from the add-ins.

Don't forget the

WATER Add flavor with a splash of juice or fresh fruit



MILK This provides kids with additional protein, calcium, and vitamin D. Lactose intolerant or milk allergy? Try fortified plant-based milk (soy, almond, cashew etc.) instead!

JUICE 100% fruit juice. Limit to 4 to 6 ounces of juice per day due to the sugar and calorie content.

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