

# Weeknight Dinner Plan

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Zucchini Panini with Tomato Soup	Upside Down Turkey Nachos	Cheesy Mini Frittatas with Side Salad	Easy No-Mayo Tuna Salad Wraps with Fresh Berries	Quick Green Chicken Enchilada Casserole

#### **Grocery List:**

#### Grains:

- 1 package hearty whole grain bread
- 10 whole grain tortillas

#### Protein:

- 1/2 dozen eggs
- 1 pound ground turkey breast (at least 90% lean)
- 2 cups shredded pre-cooked chicken breast (about 2 chicken breasts)
- 2-5 ounce cans tuna
- 1-15 ounce can low sodium pinto beans

#### Dairy:

- 2-6 ounce packages shredded cheddar cheese, shredded (about 3 cups shredded cheese)
- 1-6 ounce container low fat plain Greek yogurt
- 1 cup low fat milk

#### Extras:

- 1 jar red salsa
- 1 jar green salsa
- 1 bag tortilla chips
- 1-32 ounce container low sodium tomato soup

#### Fruit and Veggies:

- 2 large zucchini
- 1 medium red onion
- 2 medium yellow onions
- 1 large avocado
- 1-6 ounce bag baby spinach (about 4 cups)
- 1 bunch cilantro (optional)
- 1 bunch green onions
- 4 cups berries of choice (strawberries, blackberries, raspberries...)
- 1 small lime
- 1 small bag frozen corn
- 1 package frozen chopped broccoli, about 10 ounces

#### Pantry Staples:

- Italian seasoning
- Garlic powder
- Canola oil
- Chili powder
- Ground cumin
- Non-stick cooking spray
- Salad dressing of choice

## Grilled Zucchini Panini

### Makes 4 servings

### Ingredients:

- 8 slices whole grain bread
- 2 large zucchini, thinly sliced
- 1 medium red onion, sliced
- 1 cup shredded reduced fat cheddar or mozzarella cheese
- 2 teaspoons canola oil
- salt and pepper to taste
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
- 2 teaspoons Italian seasoning
- 1-32 ounce container low sodium tomato soup



- 1. Preheat Panini press or grill pan to medium high heat. If using oven, preheat to 425 degrees. Toss the zucchini and onion slices with the oil and seasonings.
- 2. Place the veggies in an even layer on the Panini press, close, and cook for about 5 minutes or until the veggies are tender and have grill marks. If using a grill pan or skillet, cook for about 4 minutes on each side. If using oven, spread the veggies in an even layer on 1-2 baking sheets and bake for about 20-25 minutes, turning half way through cooking time.
- 3. Top each slice of bread with 2 tablespoons of the cheese. When the veggies are done cooking, divide the mixture evenly among 4 slices of bread, then place the remaining slices of bread on top of each sandwich.
- 4. Place the sandwiches in the Panini press and cook for about 5 minutes or until golden and the cheese is melted. If using a grill pan, cook for about 4 minutes per side. Serve with 1 cup tomato soup per serving on the side.

## Healthy Upside-Down Turkey Nachos

## Makes 6-8 servings

### Ingredients:

- 1 teaspoon canola oil
- 1 pound ground turkey breast (at least 90% lean)
- 1 medium yellow onion, chopped
- 1 cup frozen corn
- 1 15-ounce can low sodium pinto beans
- 2 cups salsa
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 teaspoon chili powder
- 1/2 teaspoon cumin
- 10-12 corn tortilla chips or sweet potato tortilla chips per person
- 3/4 cup shredded reduced fat cheddar cheese
- 1 large avocado, chopped

- 1. Heat a skillet over medium high heat. Add the oil, turkey, and onion. Start breaking up the meat and stir the mixture as it browns.
- 2. After about 5 minutes, add the corn, beans, salsa and seasonings to the skillet, reduce the heat to low and simmer for about 15 minutes, stirring occasionally.
- 3. To serve, scoop some of the turkey mixture into a bowl, top with 2 tablespoons of cheese, 2 tablespoons avocado, and 10-12 tortilla chips on top per serving.



## Cheesy Mini Frittatas

Makes 12 muffins, 4 servings

## Ingredients:

- 6 large eggs
- 3/4 cup milk
- 3/4 cup shredded reduced fat cheddar cheese
- 4 green onions (scallions), sliced
- salt and pepper to taste
- cooking spray
- 3 cups fresh baby spinach
- 2 cups fresh berries of choice
- ¼ cup salad dressing of choice
- Salsa for serving (optional)



#### Directions:

- 1. Preheat oven to 400 degrees. In a large bowl, mix the eggs, milk, salt, pepper, cheese, and green onions until well combined.
- 2. Lightly spray a muffin pan with nonstick cooking spray and pour the egg mixture to fill each muffin tin about 2/3 full. Bake for about 15 minutes or until the eggs are set and the tops are lightly golden.
- 3. Top the frittatas with salsa if desired serve with a side salad made of the spinach and berries, topped with your favorite salad dressing.

\*Note: These mini frittatas puff up as they cook, then deflate as the cool.

## Easy No-Mayo Tuna Salad Wraps

### Makes 4 servings

## Ingredients:

- 2-5 ounce cans tuna packed in oil or water, drained
- 1 6-ounce container plain Greek yogurt
- 2 tablespoons freshly squeezed lime juice (about 1 small lime)
- 4 green onions, thinly sliced
- Pepper to taste
- 4 whole grain tortillas
- 1 cup baby spinach
- 2 cups fresh berries of choice



- 1. In a medium bowl, mix together all ingredients except the tuna. Next, flake the tuna into the bowl and mix everything together.
- 2. Spread the tuna mixture evenly over the 4 tortillas with  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup spinach on each wrap, then roll them into wraps. Serve berries on the side.

## Quick Green Chicken Enchilada Casserole

## Makes 6 servings

### Ingredients:

- 2 cups cooked shredded chicken breast meat (about 2 chicken breasts)
- 2 cups frozen chopped broccoli, thawed
- 1 cup green salsa
- 1 cup reduced fat shredded pepperjack, mozzarella, or cheddar cheese
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 6 whole grain tortillas or 8 corn tortillas, each cut into 6 triangles
- 1 bunch fresh cilantro (optional)



- 1. Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Spread about 1 tablespoon of the salsa in an 8x8 square baking dish. Spread 1/3 of the tortilla triangles evenly over the salsa, making the bottom layer of the casserole.
- 2. Next, spread half of the broccoli, onion, and chicken over the tortillas, along with 1/3 cup of the cheese.
- 3. Top with another layer of tortillas, then another layer of the chicken, onion, and cheese
- 4. Add one final layer of tortillas on top and sprinkle the remaining cheese over the tortillas.
- 5. Bake for 20-25 minutes, until the cheese is melted and the casserole is bubbling and lightly golden on top. Garnish with fresh cilantro if desired.