| MEAL | TIME | CARBOHYDRATE CHOICE / GRAMS |
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| Breakfast | 7:00 a.m. | $2 / 30$ |
| Snack | $9: 30$ a.m. | $1 / 15$ |
| Lunch | 12:00 p.m. | $3 / 15$ |
| Snack | 2:30 p.m. | $1 / 15$ |
| Dinner | 5:30-6:00 p.m. | $3-15 / 45-60$ |
| Snack | 9:00 p.m. | $1 / 15$ |

## GUIDELINES:

- Check blood sugars prior to meal and 1 hour after first bite.
- Meals should be eaten in approximately 15-20 minutes.
- Blood sugar should be checked before bedtime snack.
- One carbohydrate choice $=1$ serving $=15$ grams

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| CARBOHYDRATE CHOICES | HEALTHY OPTIONS | AVOID |
| 1 slice bread or 6 inch tortilla | Whole grains (bread, rice, pasta) | Fried foods |
| $1 / 2$ hamburger bun or English muffin | Beans <br> Fresh vegetables (dark leafy | Sodas |
| 4-6 crackers | green, yellow, orange and red) | Juice |
| $1 / 2$ cooked cereal | Fresh fruits (in portion control) | Cookies |
| $1 / 3$ cup rice | Lean meats | Candy |
| $1 / 3$ cup pasta | Low fat dairy | Chips |
| $1 / 2$ cup potato, corn, peas, yams | Nuts |  |
| $1 / 2$ cup beans |  |  |
| $1 / 2$ banana |  |  |
| 1 small fruit (4 oz.) |  |  |
| $1 / 2$ cup canned or frozen fruit |  |  |
| 4 oz. juice |  |  |
| 8 oz. milk |  |  |
| $2 / 3$ cup plain fat free yogurt |  |  |
| 2 inch brownie or cake with NO |  |  |
| frosting |  |  |
| $1 / 2$ cup ice cream or sherbet |  |  |

