EXHIBIT A: SCHOOL LUNCH AND BREAKFAST

WHOLE GRAIN-RICH OUNCE EQUIVALENCY (OZ EQ) REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOOL MEAL PROGRAMS^{1,2}

| GROUP A | OZ EQ FOR GROUP A |
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| Bread type coating | 1 oz eq = 22 gm or 0.8 oz |
| Bread sticks (hard) | 3/4 oz eq = 17 gm or 0.6 oz |
| Chow mein noodles | 1/2 oz eq = 11 gm or 0.4 oz |
| Savory Crackers (saltines and snack crackers) | 1/4 oz eq = 6 gm or 0.2 oz |
| • Croutons | |
| Pretzels (hard) | |
| • Stuffing (dry) Note: weights apply to bread in | |
| stuffing. | |
| GROUP B | OZ EQ FOR GROUP B |
| Bagels | 1 oz eq = $28 \text{ gm or } 1.0 \text{ oz}$ |
| Batter type coating | 3/4 oz eq = 21 gm or 0.75 oz |
| Biscuits | 1/2 oz eq = 14 gm or 0.5 oz |
| Breads (sliced whole wheat, French, Italian) | 1/4 oz eq = 7 gm or 0.25 oz |
| Buns (hamburger and hot dog) | |
| • Sweet Crackers ⁴ (graham crackers - all shapes, | |
| animal crackers) | |
| Egg roll skins | |
| English muffins | |
| Pita bread (whole wheat or whole grain-rich) | |
| Pizza crust | |
| Pretzels (soft) | |
| Rolls (whole wheat or whole grain-rich) | |
| Tortillas (whole wheat or whole corn) | |
| Tortilla chips (whole wheat or whole corn) | |
| Taco shells (whole wheat or whole corn) | |
| GROUP C | OZ EQ FOR GROUP C |
| • Cookies ³ (plain - includes vanilla wafers) | 1 oz eq = $34 \text{ gm or } 1.2 \text{ oz}$ |
| Cornbread | 3/4 oz eq = 26 gm or 0.9 oz |
| Corn muffins | 1/2 oz eq = 17 gm or 0.6 oz |
| Croissants | 1/4 oz eq = 9 gm or 0.3 oz |
| Pancakes | |
| • Pie crust (dessert pies³, cobbler³, fruit turnovers⁴, | |
| and meat/meat alternate pies) | |
| Waffles | |

The following food quantities from Groups A-G, must contain at least 16 grams of whole-grain or can be made with 8 grams of whole-grain and 8 grams of enriched meal and/or enriched flour to be considered whole

grain-rich.

Some of the following grains may contain more sugar, salt, and/or fat than others. This should be a consideration when deciding how often to serve them.

Allowed only as dessert at lunch as specified in §210.10.

⁴ Allowed for desserts at lunch as specified in §210.10, and for breakfasts served under the SBP.

| | GROUP D | OZ EQ FOR GROUP D |
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| _ | Doughnute ⁴ (sales and recent relief | |
| • | Doughnuts ⁴ (cake and yeast raised, unfrosted) | 1 oz eq = 55 gm or 2.0 oz 3/4 oz eq = 42 gm or 1.5 oz |
| | | $\frac{3}{4}$ oz eq = 42 gm or 1.5 oz $\frac{1}{2}$ oz eq = 28 gm or 1.0 oz |
| • | Cereal bars, breakfast bars, granola bars ⁴ | 1/2 oz eq = 26 gm of 1.6 oz 1/4 oz eq = 14 gm or 0.5 oz |
| | (plain) Muffins (all, except corn) | 174 02 eq = 14 gm or 0.3 02 |
| | Sweet roll ⁴ (unfrosted) | |
| • | Toaster pastry ⁴ (unfrosted) | |
| • | GROUP E | OZ EO EOD CDOUD E |
| _ | Cereal bars, breakfast bars, granola bars ⁴ | OZ EQ FOR GROUP E 1 oz eq = 69 gm or 2.4 oz |
| • | (with nuts, dried fruit, and/or chocolate | 3/4 oz eq = 52 gm or 1.8 oz |
| | pieces) | $\frac{374 \text{ oz eq} - 32 \text{ gm of } 1.8 \text{ oz}}{1/2 \text{ oz eq} = 35 \text{ gm or } 1.2 \text{ oz}}$ |
| | * | 1/4 oz eq = 18 gm or 0.6 oz |
| • | Cookies ³ (with nuts, raisins, chocolate pieces and/or fruit purees) | 1/4 02 cq = 10 gm of 0.0 02 |
| • | Doughnuts ⁴ (cake and yeast raised, frosted or | |
| | glazed) | |
| • | French toast | |
| • | Sweet rolls ⁴ (frosted) | |
| • | Toaster pastry ⁴ (frosted) | |
| | GROUP F | OZ EQ FOR GROUP F |
| • | Cake ³ (plain, unfrosted) | 1 oz eq = $82 \text{ gm or } 2.9 \text{ oz}$ |
| • | Coffee cake ⁴ | 3/4 oz eq = 62 gm or 2.2 oz |
| | | 1/2 oz eq = 41 gm or 1.5 oz |
| | | 1/4 oz eq = 21 gm or 0.7 oz |
| | GROUP G | OZ EQ FOR GROUP G |
| • | Brownies ³ (plain) | 1 oz eq = $125 \text{ gm or } 4.4 \text{ oz}$ |
| • | Cake ³ (all varieties, frosted) | 3/4 oz eq = 94 gm or 3.3 oz |
| | | 1/2 oz eq = 63 gm or 2.2 oz |
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| | GROUP H | OZ EQ FOR GROUP H |
| • | Cereal Grains (barley, quinoa, etc) | 1 oz eq = $1/2$ cup cooked or 1 ounce (28 g) dry |
| • | Breakfast cereals (cooked) ^{5, 6} | |
| • | Bulgur or cracked wheat | |
| • | Macaroni (all shapes) | |
| • | Noodles (all varieties) | |
| • | Pasta (all shapes) | |
| • | Ravioli (noodle only) | |
| • | Rice (enriched white or brown) | |
| | GROUP I | OZ EQ FOR GROUP I |
| • | Ready to eat breakfast cereal (cold, dry) 5, 6 | 1 oz eq = 1 cup or 1 ounce for flakes and rounds |
| | | 1 oz eq = 1.25 cups or 1 ounce for puffed cereal |
| _ | | 1 oz eq = $1/4$ cup or 1 ounce for granola |

Refer to program regulations for the appropriate serving size for supplements served to children aged 1 through 5 in the NSLP; and meals served to children ages 1 through 5 and adult participants in the CACFP. Breakfast cereals are traditionally served as a breakfast menu item but may be served in meals other than breakfast.

⁶ Cereals must be whole-grain, or whole grain and enriched or fortified cereal.