Healthy Snack Food and Beverage Policy Product List

The purpose of the policy and standard is to promote good health among Long Beach residents, and to make Long Beach a healthy “world class” city.

The nutrition standards outlined in this policy have been established based on the standards used by California schools (SB 12), as well as those standards developed and successfully implemented in other cities and counties with food and beverage policies. These standards are also consistent with many of the nutrition messages provided in the Dietary Guidelines for Americans. The Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee, which is jointly established by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, has created the Dietary Guidelines for Americans with the purpose of providing science-based advice to promote health and reduce the risk of chronic disease through diet and physical activity.

The specific beverage criteria for “healthy beverages” is as follows:

- Fruit and/or vegetable based drinks that contain at least 50% real juice and contain no added caloric sweeteners.
- Plain drinking water.
- Carbonated or seltzer water with no added caloric sweeteners.
- 1% low fat or nonfat unflavored animal derived milk products.
- Plant derived dairy alternative products (soy, rice, etc.) that contain no more than 12 grams of sugar per one cup of beverage.
- Artificially sweetened electrolyte beverages (sports drinks) and vitamin waters.
- Adults may have coffee, tea, and diet sodas.

The specific product criteria for “healthy snacks” is as follows:

- 35% or less of calories from fat.
- 10% or less of calories from saturated fat.
- 35% or less of sugar by weight.
- 250 calorie maximum per single serving.
- 0 grams of trans fats per serving.
- 360 mg or less of sodium per serving for at least one option (snack vending only).

City staff are encouraged to following the following recommendations when planning refreshments for any City function.

- Snack foods should emphasize fruits, vegetables, whole grains and low fat (1%) or nonfat dairy products.

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• Items with 2 or more grams of fiber per serving are healthful.
• When serving vegetables, use store prepared or prepackaged items.
• Smaller portions of fruit juices are more healthful. Recommended portion for children is 4 oz and for teens and adults is 6 oz.
• Unsalted or lightly salted varieties of foods are beneficial. Select snack items with 360 mg of sodium per serving or less.

In instances where entrees are served at meetings, programs, or events, City staff members are encouraged to purchase items that promote good health. Recommendations include:

• Avoid fried foods and cream sauces.
• Include at least one vegetable- fresh or cooked with no butter or cream sauces added.
• Serve salads with dressing on the side - choose low fat or reduced fat dressings.
• Include whole grain breads, bagels, pastas, cereals, rice, tortillas, etc.
• Choose lower fat/lower calorie desserts: cut up fresh fruit, low fat yogurt, frozen yogurt, sherbet or sorbet
• Choose lean protein foods like skinless poultry, lean meats, or tofu.
• Include a vegetarian option.

Healthy Snack Foods List

**BARS**

Cliff Bars – Energy Bars, Kids Z Bars
Corazona’s Mrs. May Trio Bars
Fiber One Bars
Kashi - TLC Bars, Go Lean Bars
Luna Bars
Nature Valley – Crunchy Granola Bar, Chewy Trail Mix Fruit and Nut Bar
Nutrigrain - Cereal Bars, Fruit Fusion Bars, Yogurt Bars
Odwalla Bars
Quaker - Chewy Granola Bars, Chewy 90-Calorie Granola Bars, Cereal Bars, Oatmeal To Go Bars, True Delights Chewy Granola Bars
Special K – Bars, Fruit Crisps

Healthy Tip: Choose bars that are lower in calories and contain whole grains. Whole grains are listed on the product’s ingredient as “whole ____”.

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BREADS

Oroweat – English Muffins  
Sarah Lee – Toaster Size Bagels, Mini Bagels, Pita, English Muffins  
Sunmaid Raisin Bread  
Thomas' Bagel Thins, English Muffins  
Van de Kamps – English Muffins, Bagels

Healthy Tip: Choose bread products that are made with whole grains. Whole grains are listed on the product’s ingredient as “whole ____”.

CHIPS

Baked!  
Cheetos Fantastix – Chili Cheese, Flamin Hot  
Doritos Nacho Cheese Reduced Fat  
Padrinos Reduced Fat Tortilla Chips  
Pirates Booty – Aged White Cheddar  
Pop Chips  
Stacy’s – Pita Chips, Bagel Chips  
Sun Chips

Healthy Tips: Choose chips that are lower in calories and sodium.

CHEESE

Any low fat or reduced fat brand or type including low fat or reduced fat - cream cheese, soft cheese, hard cheese, and string cheese.

Healthy Tip: Choose cheeses that are lower in calories and sodium.

CRACKERS/COOKIES

Austin Zoo Animal Crackers  
Barnums Animal Crackers  
Cheese Nips Reduced Fat Cheddar  
Goldfish Grahams  
Honey Maid Grahams  
Kashi – TLC Snack Crackers, Pita Crisps, Heart to Heart Whole Grain Crackers  
Keebler – Club Reduced Fat, Vanilla Wafers, Animal Crackers Cookies, Animal Iced Cookies, Scooby Doo Graham Cracker Sticks, Grahams Original, Grahams Honey, Grahams Cinnamon, Zesta Original, Zesta Whole Wheat Saltine

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Keebler Town House – Reduced Fat, Flip Sides Pretzel Crackers Reduced Fat, Flatbread Crisps, Toppers Multigrain
Miltons Baked Snack Crackers
Original Premium Saltine Crackers
Ritz Crackers Reduced Fat Wheat, Toasted Chips
Red Oval Farms Stoned Wheat Thins
Stauffers Animal Crackers Original
Teddy Grahams
Triscuit
Wheat Thin – Original, Toasted Chips

Healthy Tip: Choose whole grain crackers and those with the least sodium. Whole grains are listed on the product’s ingredient list as “whole ____”.

DIPS
Any brand or type of plant based dip including vegetable or fruit salsa, hummus, pesto spread, and guacamole.

Healthy Tip: Choose salsa more often. It is lower in calories than other plant based dips. Choose low sodium varieties when possible.

FROZEN DESSERTS
Any brand or type of sherbet, nonfat frozen yogurt, sorbet, sorbettos, popsicles, or fudge bars

Nestle Skinny Cow - Ice Cream Sandwiches
Kroger - Low Fat Ice Cream Sandwiches

Healthy Tip: Choose lower calorie frozen desserts when possible.

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FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

Fresh – all types and varieties

Dried Fruits – any brand or type without added sugars
Ocean Spray Craisins
Mariani - Mixed Fruits, Pitted Prunes
Premium Orchard – Dried Plums, Dried Apricots

Healthy Tip: Choose fresh fruits and vegetables more often than dried. Fresh varieties are much lower in calories because they contain water.

NUTS

Any brand or type

Healthy Tip: Choose lightly salted or unsalted nuts when possible. These varieties have less sodium.

POPCORN

Act II – 94% Fat Free Butter
Jolly Time – Homemade, 100 Calorie Healthy Pop Butter, 100 Calorie Healthy Pop Kettle Corn, Low Sodium 100 Calorie Healthy Pop Butter, Healthy Pop Butter, Healthy Pop Kettle Corn, Healthy Pop Caramel Apple, Healthy Pop Crispy White Natural Flavored
Newman’s Own – 94% Fat Free, Natural 100 Calorie Mini Bags
Orville Redenbacher’s Microwave Popcorn Smart Pop
Pop Secret – 94% Fat Free Butter, 94% Fat Free Kettle Corn, 100 Calorie Pop
Smart Balance – Light Butter Mini Bags, Smart and Healthy

Healthy Tip: Choose popcorn varieties that are lower in calories and sodium.

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PRETZELS

Bachman Pretzels
Old Dutch Pretzels
Snakr’s – Twist Pretzels, Mini Twists, Waffle Pretzels
Snyder’s of Hanover – Sourdough Pretzels, Old Tyme Pretzels, Pretzel Rods, Honey Mustard and Onion Lightly Seasoned Pretzels

Healthy Tip: Choose pretzels that are lower in sodium.

SNACK MIX

Chex Mix
Nabisco – Mixers Snack Mixes, 100-Calorie Snack Mix Packs
Quaker Snack Mix Kids Mix
Snakr’s – Party Snack Mix, Original Snack Mix

Healthy Tip: Choose snack mixes that are lowest in sodium and calories.

TRAIL MIX

Any brand or type without added sugar or fats

Healthy Tip: Choose trail mixes that are lowest in calories and sodium.

YOGURT

Activia, Alta Dena, Chobani, Dannon, Stonyfield
Weight Watchers, Yoplait

Healthy Tip: Choose nonfat, low fat or light yogurt.

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CALORIE FREE

Tap Water
Plain bottled water – any brand
Sparkling mineral water – any brand
Unsweetened ice tea – any brand
Diet soda – any brand (non youth oriented)
Diet ice tea – any brand (non youth oriented)

Healthy Tip: Choose beverages without any added sweeteners.

FRUIT JUICE

100% Fruit juice – any brand or flavor
50 - 100% fruit juice with no added sweeteners – any brand or flavor

Healthy Tip: Serve small portions of fruit juice (4 oz for children and 4 or 6 oz for adults).

VEGETABLE JUICE

50 - 100% Vegetable juice or 50 - 100% vegetable and fruit juice mixes with no added sweeteners – any brand or flavor

Healthy Tip: Choose vegetable juices with lower levels of sodium.

MILK & NON DAIRY MILK ALTERNATIVES

Unflavored nonfat or 1% low fat milk – any brand
Soy Dream – Classic Original, Enriched, Enriched Vanilla, Rice Dream Enriched, Rice Dream Enriched Vanilla, Almond Dream Original, Almond Dream Vanilla, Almond Dream Unsweetened Vanilla
Soysilk – Simply Silk Original, Simply Silk Vanilla, Light Original, Light Plain, Light Vanilla, Organic Vanilla, Organic Original, Organic Unsweetened
Westsoy – Plus, Lowfat, Lite, Nonfat

Healthy Tip: Choose lower calorie milks or milk alternatives.

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