

## My philosophy

The kitchen should be a part camp that is inclusive, kind, and fun. It should be an extension of the camp's goals that reinforces its values.

I believe that kids should be provided with as much healthy choices during every meal as possible. The camp should be aware of the labor and love that goes into every meal.

Food is always hot and ready on time; it should never be late. Meals that are not ready to eat on time will negatively affect the rest of the day, and people's attitude toward the kitchen.

Campers should be welcome in the kitchen, and invited to be involved with creating meals for everyone.

Camp is a way to empower kids, and food is a way to help the camp accomplish this.

At the core of my philosophy is taste. It has to taste good. You can pour blood, sweat, and tears into a dessert, but if it doesn't taste good, get rid of it. Be honest about flavor, and do not shy away from it.

It is difficult to make things taste good if packages are being opened and reheated. Cook from scratch as much as possible.

## Inventory and Stocks

Make a list and be organized.

## DO NOT MAKE A LIST IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER!

Put stuff that goes together, together.
Baking example: flour, sugar, brown sugar, powdered sugar, baking soda, baking powder, cocoa powder. Put all of these things together in your pantry and put all of these things together on your inventory list.

Keep your salad bar items together - frozen desserts, breakfast stuff, pastas, dairy, vegetables, fruits etc. If you keep stuff together that goes together it will make checking your inventory list easier.

## Practice FIFO (First In First Out).

Do not throw away produce. Anything can be preserved, as long as it is not rotten. Save your mushy bananas for baking, and pickle a lot.

Pickling is a great activity for campers. Pickled produce can be used on the salad bar, but if campers don't eat it, you can make a lot of creative dishes. Your adult groups will be very impressed with a dessert that shocks their palate with some pickled strawberries.

Dehydrate as well. If you don't have a dehydrator, an oven set to the lowest temperature will work.

Pickling and dehydrating will help you create more choices, save you money by not throwing out food, and make another way for campers to be involved in the kitchen.

Spaghetti
5 kids to one \# dry pasta
rice
7 kids

# SAMPLE WEEK 

SUNDAY<br>DINNER - Pizza<br>MONDAY<br>BREAKFAST - Fritatta<br>LUNCH - Sandwiches<br>DINNER - Enchiladas

TUESDAY
BREAKFAST - French Toast
LUNCH - Tacos
DINNER - Grilled Cheese and Tomato Soup
WEDNESDAY
BREAKFAST - Breakfast Burritos
LUNCH - Chilli
DINNER - Cook Out

## THURSDAY

BREAKFAST - Breakfast Sandwich
LUNCH - Quesadillas
DINNER - Spaghetti and Meatballs
FRIDAY
BREAKFAST - Sweet Breads
LUNCH - Mac and Cheese Bar
BREAKFASTS

## Pancakes

## RECIPE

- 12 lbs. pancake mix
- Water (as directed)


## PROCESS

- Grill on a hot buttered surface


## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

- Seasonal fruit compote

LEFTOVER IDEA

- None


# Breakfast Burritos 

RECIPE
Pico (see attatched)
Beans (see attatched)
100 tortillas
5 lbs grated cheese
eggs, one per person
additional option: sausage

## PROCESS

Scramble eggs and serve everything separate

## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

LEFTOVER IDEA

- re use pico and beans for tostadas, tacos, chili, quesadillas or fajitas


## Breakfast sandwiches

RECIPE<br>Eggs hard boiled - 75<br>Toast - 52<br>Bagels - 26<br>English muffins - 26<br>Biscuits - 26<br>Cheese - 104 slices<br>Ham - 50 slices

## PROCESS

Peel eggs and mash eggs (this is a chance to have fun with seasoning, herbs, or aole
Cut biscuits in half
Assemble with egg, cheese and ham on half
Keep warm and serve

## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

Side seasonal vegetable, adding roasted veg puree as a layer, or diced pickle.

LEFTOVER IDEA
-none

## French Toast

RECIPE<br>100 slices of bread (use the ends)<br>60 eggs<br>1 cup of milk or cream<br>2 tbsp cinnamon<br>$1 / 2$ fresh ground nutmeg<br>2 tbsp vanilla

## PROCESS

- Mix eggs, milk, cinnamon, nutmeg, and vanilla
- dip bread in mix and grill both sides
- cut diagonally to have 200 portions


## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

- serve with seasonal fruit compote


## LEFTOVER IDEA

- banana foster sandwiches for dessert


## Frittata

RECIPE<br>Olive oil-1 c<br>Potatoes (roasted and diced) - 4.5 lbs<br>Onions diced - 2.5 lbs<br>Spinach 2 lbs<br>Tomatoes seeded and diced - 2 lbs<br>Eggs 100<br>Cheese - 2 lbs

## PROCESS

-Sauté onions until translucent and add potatoes
-Add greens and tomatoes and continue to cook
-Beat the eggs
-Transfer veggie mix to hotel pans and add eggs
-Top with cheese
-Bake at 325 until eggs are set

## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

Switch veg around noting there will be different cook times depending on the vegetable added.

## LEFTOVER IDEA

- none


# Egg, Potato \& Veggie Stir Fry 

## RECIPE

Crack one egg per person
20 peppers sliced
5 onions sliced
20 baked potatoes cubed
Seasonal Vegetable
Salt to taste

## PROCESS

- Mix onions and peppers and roast in the oven with oil and salt until vegetables are soft and have developed a little color and just begin to caramelize
- Add potatoes
- Scramble eggs separate


## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

- Add seasonal vegetable to peppers and onions


## LEFTOVER IDEA

- Use veggies for tacos, grilled cheese, or stir-fry. They are extremely versatile.


## Veggie \& Cheese Scramble

RECIPE
Crack one egg per person
20 peppers sliced
5 onions sliced
Salt to taste
5 lbs. grated cheese

## PROCESS

- Mix onions and peppers and roast in the oven with oil and salt until vegetables are soft and have developed a little color and just begin to caramelize
- Scramble eggs separate


## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

- Add seasonal vegetable to peppers and onions

LEFTOVER IDEA

- Use veggies for tacos, grilled cheese, or stir-fry. They are extremely versatile.



# Quesadillas 

RECIPE<br>150 tortillas<br>5-10 \# of cheese<br>pico

## PROCESS

On a flat top make quesadillas and hold in a hot box or low temp oven to keep warm

SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

## LEFTOVER IDEA

Use left over stir fry veggies, pork, chicken or beef to add to some quesadillas

# Pork Stir Fry 

RECIPE<br>25\# pork shoulder cubed<br>seasonal veggies<br>onions<br>15\# rice<br>soy sauce 1 cups<br>lime juice $1 / 2$ cup

## PROCESS

Fry veggies with soy sauce and lime juice

## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

Rotate veg
LEFTOVER IDEA
Veggies and pork for dumplings or eggroles

## Rotating Ethnic Lunch

This is a great opportunity to have some fun with a mid week meal. Plantains, steam dumplings, bohn mi, or paella may seem a big jump for kids, but they really are good. Have kids smash plantains, fold steam dumplings, pickle the veg for bohn mi, or help with paella steps will make a difference in campers willingness to try something new.

RECIPE

## PROCESS

## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

LEFTOVER IDEA

## Ploughmans Lunch

This is a plate of random things and a great way to reuse leftovers

## RECIPE

Apples 20 quartered
Eggs 25 hard-boiled halved
Bread 200 slices
Cheese 10\# cubed
Ham 7.5 \# thick slices
Turkey 7.5. \# thick slices
Beef 10\# thick slices
Jam, compote, chutney, and or marmalade
Seasonal vegetables big cuts

## PROCESS

Separate plates for everything

## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

Veggies, Jam, compote, chutney, and or marmalade

## LEFTOVER IDEA

Big cuts of lots of things, there are too many ways to list.

# Sandwiches 

RECIPE
10 \# turkey
10\# ham
200 slices of bread
2 heads of lettuce
8 tomatoes sliced
mayo and mustard for each table
1 onion sliced
10 bags of chips

## PROCESS

Plate everything separately

## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

Seasonal veg
LEFTOVER IDEA
Add ham or turkey to stir fry or quesadillas

## Chili

RECIPE<br>20 lbs. ground beef<br>15 lbs . tomato sauce<br>15 lbs. diced tomatoes<br>9 lbs. kidney beans<br>3 lbs. onions<br>4 lbs. green peppers<br>1.5 lbs. chopped celery<br>1.5 lbs . diced carrot<br>$1 / 4$ cup chili powder<br>$1 / 4$ cup cumin<br>1 T paprika<br>1 T cayenne<br>10 bay leaves

## PROCESS

Brown beef and drain off fat and set aside
Sweat mirepoix
Add the rest of the ingredients and cook for at least one hour

## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

Corn and corn bread

## LEFTOVER IDEA

# Grilled Cheese 

RECIPE
220 slices of bread
110 slices of cheese
2 tomatoes sliced
soft butter

## PROCESS

Lay out on sheet trays two sandwiches thick
Tomato should be on about $25 \%$ of the sandwiches (adjust for demand)
Butter hot surface and grill both sides
Keep warm in the oven or hot box

## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

Pesto, other sauces, be creative on this one.
LEFTOVER IDEA
none

# Mac and Cheese 

RECIPE<br>12 \# pasta<br>10 \# cheese shredded<br>1.5 \# butter<br>3 cups flour<br>milk 1.5 gallons warm but not boiling<br>heavy cream 1 gallon add to the warm milk<br>satl tt<br>pepper tt<br>\section*{PROCESS}<br>Cook pasta until slightly firm<br>Melt butter and slowly whisk in flour<br>Cook until smooth and slightly brown<br>Slowly add milk whisking the entire time<br>Cook until thick<br>Fold into pasta<br>Top with cheese<br>Bake at 375 until brown on top

## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

Veggies
LEFTOVER IDEA
Staff meals

## Subs and veggies

RECIPE<br>Hoagie rolls 100<br>Sliced deli meat 25 \#<br>Sliced cheese 20\#<br>Lettuce 2 heads<br>Onion 1 sliced<br>Tomato 10 sliced<br>Mayo<br>Mustard<br>Seasonal veggies thick cut

PROCESS
Set out on separate place

## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

veggie
LEFTOVER IDEA
Veggies can be used many ways

## Tacos

RECIPE<br>150 tortillas (100 soft, 50 hard)<br>25 lbs. chicken, beef, or pork or any combination<br>10 lbs . cheese<br>Two heads of lettuce (chopped)<br>Pico (see recipe)<br>Beans (see recipe)<br>Chipotle aole (see recipe)<br>1 -gallon rice (as directed, adjust less or more depending on how much rice your camp consumes)

## PROCESS

Everything is served separately
Fry tortillas flat until they get crispy, keep warm in the oven at 200-250.

## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

This is a great way to add something small and see how the campers respond.

## LEFTOVER IDEA

Beans for veggie burgers, pico for enchiladas,

## DINNERS

## Chicken, Mashed, Greens

RECIPE
150 Chicken breast 8 oz portion
10 eggs
8 cups bread crumbs
40 potatoes boiled
2 cups heavy cream
2 cups of melted butter
10 \# greens (collards, arugula, spinach, or other) pick one, because they will cook very differently.

## PROCESS

Dredge chicken in egg, then flour, then fry in oil, keep warm in the oven.
Smash potatoes, add heavy cream and butter, salt t.t.
Have fun with the greens and see what the campers like
SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT
greens
LEFTOVER IDEA
Mashed potato cakes
Chop up chicken for pizza or to put in anything

## BBQ

Have fun, you can do classics like hot dogs and hamburgers, but add fried onions, maybe bake your own buns, there are lots of resources for fun bar food.

## RECIPE

## PROCESS

## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

LEFTOVER IDEA

## Beef Burgundy (ish)

RECIPE<br>25\# beef cubed<br>6 qts beef stock<br>10 onions diced<br>20 carrots diced<br>8 celery bulbs diced<br>20 \# egg noodles

## PROCESS

Brown the beef
Sautee onions, celery and carrots
Toss everything in a pot or hotels with stock
Season and add any herbs you desire
Cook until thick or use roux, xamthum gum, or corn startch
SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT
LEFTOVER IDEA
Thin out for soup

## Cookout

## RECIPE

150 combo of chicken breast and leg quarters
Marinate (up to you) save 2 qts for later
100 pieces of corn
Cornbread or dinner rolls

## PROCESS

Marinate chicken 1 day ahead of time
Cook in the oven until temp 165 mopping with extra marinate two or three times
Finish the chicken on a wood grill outside Boil the corn until tender

## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

Veggie options

LEFTOVER IDEA

Shred chicken for tacos

## Enchiladas

RECIPE<br>1 gallon of pico<br>1 gallon of spaghetti sauce<br>200 tortillas<br>5 lbs . of cheese<br>1 gallon of rice<br>Seasonal veggies

## PROCESS

Blend pico and spaghetti sauce (batches if needed)
Stuff each tortilla with cheese, sauce, and half with veggies.
Cover with cheese and sauce
Bake at 325 until cheese is melted
Cook rice as directed

## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

Rotating veggies
LEFTOVER IDEA
Save for staff

## Fajitas

RECIPE<br>150 tortillas all soft<br>25 lbs. chicken, beef, or pork or any combination<br>10 lbs . cheese<br>12 red peppers sliced<br>12 green peppers sliced<br>8 onions sliced<br>Pico (see recipe)<br>Beans (see recipe)<br>1 -gallon rice (as directed, adjust less or more depending on how much rice your camp consumes)

## PROCESS

Sauté peppers and onions
Cook desired meat. Braise it, cube it, Everything served separately

## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

This is a great way to add something small and see how the campers respond.

## LEFTOVER IDEA

Beans for veggie burgers, pico for enchiladas,

## Tostadas

RECIPE<br>150 tortillas<br>25 lbs. chicken, beef, or pork or any combination<br>10 lbs. cheese<br>Two heads of lettuce (chopped)<br>Pico (see recipe)<br>Beans (see recipe)<br>Chipotle aole (see recipe)<br>1 -gallon rice (as directed, adjust less or more depending on how much rice your camp consumes)

## PROCESS

Everything is served separately
Fry tortillas flat until they get crispy, keep warm in the oven at 200-250.

## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

This is a great way to add something small and see how the campers respond.

## LEFTOVER IDEA

Beans for veggie burgers, pico for enchiladas,

OTHER

## Pico

## Yield: 5 quarts

Tomatoes - 35 romas chopped
Onions - 2 diced
Fresh jalapenos - 2 minces
Cilantro - 1 cup minced
Lime juice - 1 cup
Salt T.T.

## Beans

Dried beans 6 qts (soaked over night)<br>Olive oil-1/2c<br>Onions - 2 chopped<br>Garlic - 6 cloves minced<br>Orange juice - 1 qt<br>Chipotle - 2 peppers minced

Cook soaked beans until tender in water
While beans are cooking fry onions and garlic in oil until onions are translucent

Mix cooked beans, fried garlic and onions, orange juice, and chipotle peppers, keep warm until service.

## Cornbread

## RECIPE

Four 7.5 cups
Cornmeal 8 cups
Sugar 1.5 cups
Salt $1 / 4$ cup
Baking powder 10 tablespoons
17 eggs
7 cups corn (use seasonal if possible and grill first)
1 gallon of milk
$13 / 4$ melted butter

## PROCESS

Mix dry
Add wet
Fold until incorporated
Bake at 400 20-30 minutes depending on your oven

## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

Jalapeno
LEFTOVER IDEA
Bread puddinga

## Meatballs

RECIPE<br>10 lbs . Ground beef<br>5 cups bread crumbs<br>2.5 cups milk<br>$3 / 4$ grated onion<br>10 eggs<br>3 T Worcestershire<br>salt t.t.

## PROCESS

Mix all ingredients well
Cook one in a pan and taste for salt, adjust accordingly
Scoop with a uniform spoon or ice cream scoop
Bake at 400

## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

Herbs, sub ramps for onions,
LEFTOVER IDEA
Sandwiches, shepherds pie layer

## Spaghetti Sauce

## RECIPE

2 cups olive oil
2 qts chopped onions
3 lbs. ground beef
3 lbs. ground sausage
25 cloves of garlic
12 lbs. crushed tomatoes or two \#10 cans
$1 / 4$ cup of sugar
salt t.t.
pepper t.t.
basil t.t.
oregano t.t.

## PROCESS

Brown onions
Stir in meat and garlic
Stir until meat is cooked
Add tomatoes, sugar and spices

## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

Herbs, make your own crushed tomatoes, add 5 cups red wine for adult groups,

## LEFTOVER IDEA

Blend half of this sauce with salsa or pico to make enchilada sauce, save for lasagna.

