





# Recipes Galore!

Unleashing the Power of Technology for Culinary Creativity with AI & Beyond

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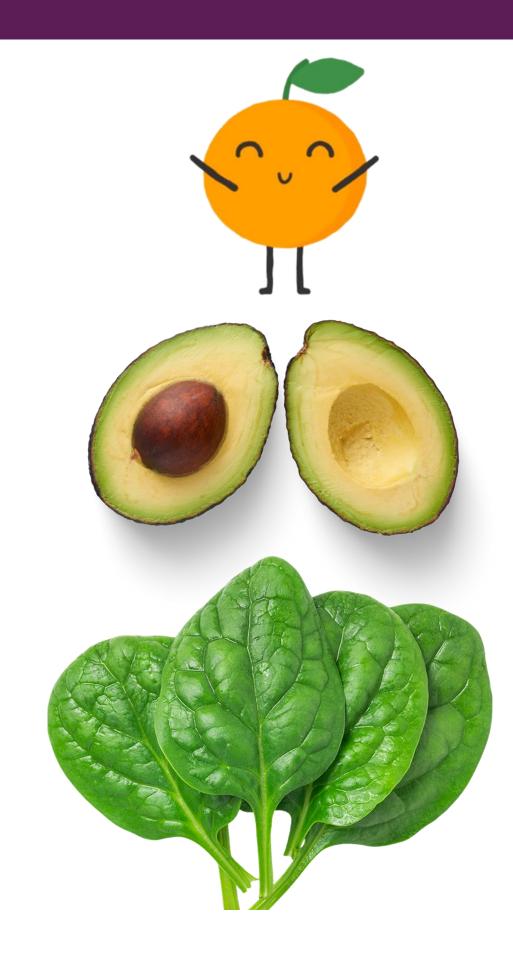
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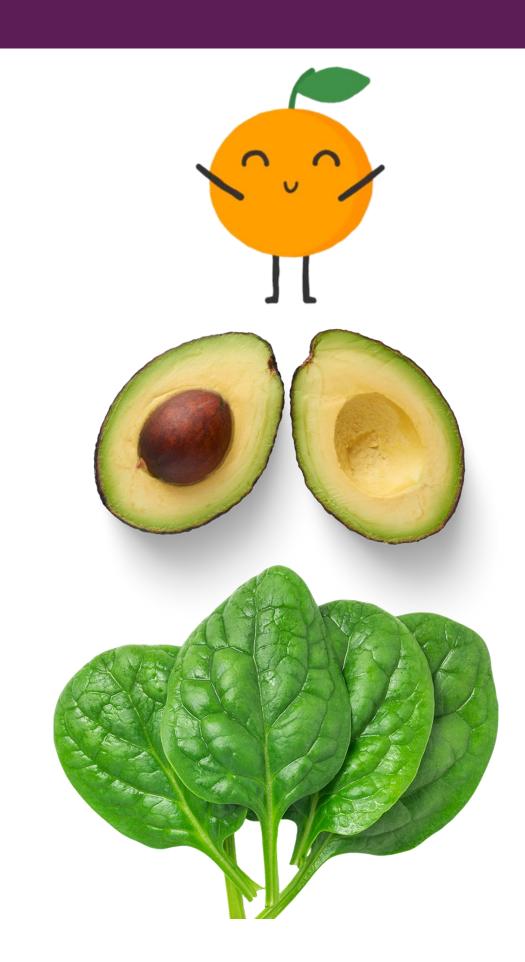
# What school recipes are your faves?







Where did you get the ideas for these recipes?









# Recipes galore!

# **OVERVIEW**

- Sources of recipes So MANY!
- Factors to consider when searching for recipes
- The Basics: NSLP recipe websites
- Popular recipes from social media & websites
- My fave source of standardized recipes for 100 servings
- Choose your own adventure, recipe style
- Secret Sauce: BAM! Kick it up a notch with AI with free idea lists, how-to's, and prompts





# Traditional Sources of Recipes:

**NSLP WEBSITES** 



**SOCIAL MEDIA** 



COOKBOOK ARCHIVES



**MENU SOFTWARE** 



CONSULTANTS



**FAMILY RECIPES** 



**MILITARY** 



## Soliciting Recipes:

RECIPE CONTESTS



**ADVISORY GROUPS** 



**FOCUS GROUPS** 



**SURVEYS** 



COOKING COMPETITIONS



**RECIPE DROPBOX** 



SCHOOL CULINARY CLASS





Traditional Sources of Recipes:

Soliciting Recipes:

ARTIFICIAL

















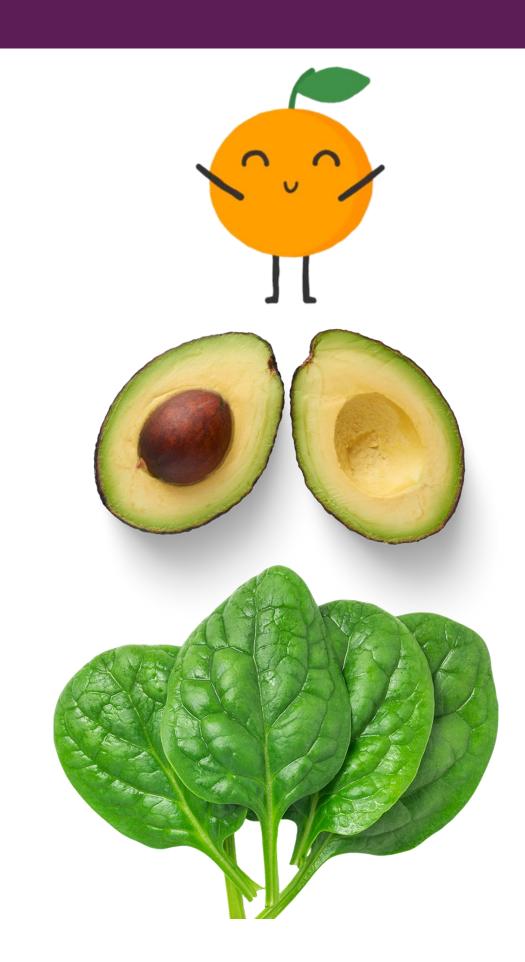








What are the ingredients to a great school recipe?





## RECIPE CHECKLIST

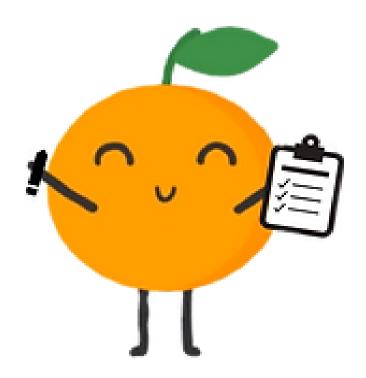
- Will this recipe be popular? Or is it served with a specific intention in mind?
- Do I have the necessary equipment?
- Are the ingredients in the recipe easily to obtain?
- Is the visual appearance of the product acceptable?
- Is the flavor of the recipe one that students might enjoy?





### RECIPE CHECKLIST

- Is the labor time to make the recipe within reasonable time frames?
- Do employees possess the skills to prepare this item?
- What training will be required?
- *Is the recipe within nutrition guidelines/goals?*



Does the recipe meet enough criteria to continue?



## The Basics: Great NSLP recipe websites:

















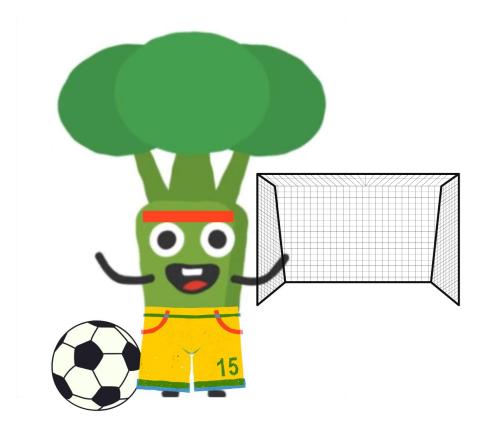




## Most popular social networks for US Teens:

- TikTok 38% of teens
- *Snapchat 28%*
- Instagram- 23%







# TikTok Philly Cheesesteak Smashburger Tacos: 3.9 million views

Pastachips: 28 million views

Cafeteria Noodles: 3.4 million views



Instagram recipes: Cookie Baked Oatmeal 159,143 likes

Homemade garlic chili oil: 27.5 million views





## HAVE YOU SEEN THESE GREAT MILITARY RECIPE BOOKS?

#### **Armed Forces Recipe Service**

UNITED STATES ARMY TM 10-412

UNITED STATES NAVY NAVSUP Publication 7

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE AFJMAN 34-606 Volume I and Volume II

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS MCO P10110.42B

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## Choose Your Own Adventure, Recipe Style



Choose the Meat / Meat Alt

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Choose the Grain



Choose the Flavor







## Choose Your Own Adventure: Yogurt Parfait



Choose the Meat / Meat Alt



Choose the Grain



Choose the Flavor





## AND THE FINAL PIECE TO THE SECRET SAUCE



THIS BLOWS MY MIND!



## **Chat GPT by Open Al**

"I am presenting at a national conference on the National School Lunch Program as a dietitian. The presentation is on Creating Recipes for the National School Lunch program using AI. The presentation is 45 minutes and geared toward people who are new to AI. What important takeaways should I include?"

[Video 1]



## Chat GPT – Al in Recipe Creation

#### What is AI?

• Technologies that enable machines to learn from data, identify patterns, and make decisions with minimal human intervention.

#### What are its limitations?

- Complexity of USDA regulations
- Privacy in data handling
- What you put into it is what you get out of it
- It tells you what you want to hear



Did you know? GPT stands for Generative Pre-trained Transformer.



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From creative descriptions and amazing images to entire marketing and social media plans,
 Chat GPT is a marketing genius!







## Practical Tips for Getting Started

## Include demographics:

- Age/Grade level
- Cultural and ethnic background
- Dietary restrictions and allergies
- Budget
- Geographic location
- Ingredients, seasonal availability
- Health and wellness trends and goals
- Feedback and preferences (student, NAC, staff, board, parent, etc)









## Practical Tips for Getting Started

- Specify output: What can GPT do for you?
- Preparation and cooking times
- Equipment and resources needed
- Serving instructions
- Storage and shelf life
- Food safety and handling, including CCPs
- Allergen management strategies, including steps to prevent cross-contamination
- (recipe ideas, recipe ingredients, recipe marketing descriptions, recipe photos)
- Include budget and limitations on ingredients or cooking methods
- Ask questions









## Creating Nutritious Recipes with Al

- 1. Al creates recipes that are balanced nutritionally according to USDA guidelines
  - ... note addresses nutrients, but not specifically addressing the meal pattern.
- 2. Al can provide ideas on adapting recipes to meet nutritional goals:
  - ... reduce sodium
  - ... gluten free and special diets
  - ... run nutritional analysis to provide general calories, saturated fat, and sodium



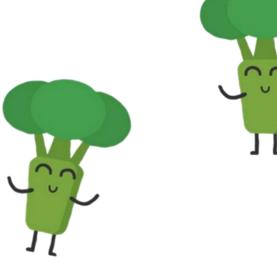






## How I use Chat GPT

AI can be used successfully in recipe creation: Demonstration – Orange chicken







## Key takeaways:

- When looking for popular, marketable recipe ideas, harness the power of social media.
- When looking for great standardized recipes and recipe instructions in foodservice quantities, military recipes take the cake.
- When looking for standardized recipes with meal pattern crediting, USDA, state agencies, and SNA are reliable sources.
- When looking to streamline operations and inventory, use he Choose Your Own Adventure method to mix limited ingredients into unlimited choices.
- When it's time to kick it up a notch and problem solve challenging situations like drawing down excess inventory or marketing ideas, it's time to go next level and harness the power of Artificial Intelligence.





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