



SUNDAY	MEATLESS	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
The talented chefs at Castle Creek Café offer up our homemade soups daily. Please enjoy our uniquely crafted recipes including a routine vegetarian option. Soups may vary from chef to chef; as culinary artists we encourage and thrive on creative freedom. ;Bon Appétite!			1 Beef Vegetable Vegan Black Bean	2 Chicken Tortilla Vegan Spinach Soup	3 Lemon Ginger Chicken Vegan Minestrone	4 Chef's Choice
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Chef's Choice	Broccoli Cheddar Vegan Cream of Fennel	Kielbasa and Kale Wild Rice Soup	Sweet and Sour Soup Garden Vegetable	Chicken and Rice Mushroom Garlic	Potato Soup Roasted Carrot	Chef's Choice
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Chef's Choice	African Peanut Soup Hearty Tomato	Italian Wedding Roasted Red Pepper	Chicken Noodle Miso	Turkey Chili Quinoa Chili	Corned Beef & Cabbage Butternut Squash	Chef's Choice
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Chef's Choice	Tortellini Soup Tomato Basil	French Onion Curried Cauliflower	Pork Green Chili Vegan Green Chili	Beef Barley Mushroom Barley	Turkey Noodle Tuscan Bean	Chef's Choice
26	27	28	29	30	31	
Chef's Choice	Egg Drop French Lentil	Navy Beans and Ham Fresh Pea Soup	Clam Chowder Vegan Corn	Jambalaya Coconut Curry Lentil	Broccoli Cheddar Vegetable Rice	

Make a Fresh Start with Spring Foods

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Spring is a great time to hit the reset button and reintroduce some fresh produce into your kids' day after a long winter. Get into the swing of spring produce with these four seasonal favorites.

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Spinach One cup of cooked spinach is packed with vitamins A and K, which are essential for eye and bone health. This amount of spinach also delivers a high amount of folate and iron, which help prevent certain types of anemia. And its magnesium and potassium are important for muscle development and growth, while vitamin C helps support immune function.

If your kids are on board with green stuff, serve spinach salads or try it sautéed with meat, fish and tofu. For kids who don't like veggies, the mild flavor of spinach is easily masked. Just purée and mix it into sauces, smoothies, soups and meatballs. Your family will love this recipe for Creamy Parmesan Spinach Squares!

Beets A cup of beets is an excellent source of folate and a good source of dietary fiber. Did you know beet greens also are edible? A one-cup serving of cooked beet greens is an excellent source of vitamins A and K, potassium and magnesium.

Challenge the stereotype of beets being one of the most-hated vegetables by preparing these nutritious roots in tasty ways. Roast beets and serve hot or cold for a touch of sweetness and a pop of color. Blend cooked beets into soups and sauces or shred raw beets as a crunchy topping for salads, tacos and more. Make a beautiful dip your kids will love by puréeing cooked beets into hummus!

Strawberries Another seasonal superstar are fresh strawberries. Just one cup of sliced strawberries provides a day's worth of vitamin C, plus a hearty dose of manganese, which is important for bone development. A cup of strawberries also packs three grams of dietary fiber.

Try them alone, in a fruit salad, in a green salad, over cereal, with yogurt or even blend frozen strawberries in a smoothie for a thicker consistency. And don't toss those strawberry tops that you washed and cut off! Add them to still or sparkling water for a refreshing, fruity infused beverage.

Asparagus One cup of cooked asparagus is an excellent source of bone-building vitamin K as well as folate. It also provides vitamin A and iron. Available in green, purple and white varieties, asparagus spears are fun to eat and pair with all kinds of foods.

Asparagus is super tasty when roasted with a little olive oil, salt and pepper. Serve as a side with dinner or cut into pieces to add to pasta, stir-fries, salads and more.

Remember to include kids in grocery shopping and food preparation. This helps them learn about different foods and age-appropriate cooking tasks, which makes it more likely they will enjoy a variety of foods.