### **Best Pre-Workout Meals and Snacks**

Whether you're preparing for competition or a training session, to maximize your efforts and achieve peak performance, having meal or snack prior (especially if 90-minutes or longer) will boost energy levels, delay fatigue, and protect your muscles from damage.

#### **3-4 Hours Before Workout or Game**

- 1. BBQ Grilled Chicken Breast + Baked Sweet Potato with drizzle of honey + Zucchini & Red Bell Peppers sautéed in olive oil
- 2. 100% Whole Wheat or Lentil Spaghetti or pasta + Bolognese Sauce (90% lean ground beef or ground turkey) + Steamed Broccoli
- 3. Baked Salmon + quinoa & roasted, diced sweet potatoes + Stir-Fry Vegetables + 1/4 to 1/2 sliced avocado

#### 1-2 Hours Before Workout or Game

- 4. Oatmeal (made with water, dairy alternative milk, or milk) + 1 banana, sliced + natural nut butter
- 5. For a Burrito or Tacos: scrambled eggs + diced bell peppers + salsa + 100% Whole Wheat or Corn Tortilla with an apple
- 6. For a Turkey Sandwich: deli-sliced turkey + spinach + deli-sliced cheese (no Kraft or similar) + mustard + 100% Whole Wheat bread with an orange

## 30-60 Minutes Before Workout or Game

- 7. Sliced apple or banana + natural nut butter + 100% Whole Wheat Toast OR PB&J with 100% Whole Wheat Bread
- 8. Greek yogurt + berries (blueberries, strawberries, blackberries) + granola
- 9. Granola Bars
- 10. Sports Foods & Beverages (bars, gels, and carbohydrate-electrolyte beverages)
- 11. Smoothies can be great as part of any pre-game meal (check out our recipes here)



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