## **Grocery List for Successful Easy Meals**

Grains and Starches (all to be batch cooked 2 cups dry made of each at a time to last the week)

Oats (large flake or steel cut)

Quinoa

Brown rice

Stonemill sprouted grain bread, silver hills or bakery Sourdough

Whole grain high protein wraps

Whole grain/lentil pasta

Sweet potatoes

Canned Beans/frozen shelled edamame (chickpeas, navy beans, lentils or mixed bean medley - rinse and drain and ready to eat)

Whole grain seed cracker (ie.marys)

#### **Fats**

Nuts and seeds of choice (almonds, walnuts, pumpkin, hemp, chia, flax)

Avocado

Olive oil/sesame oil

Natural Peanut or Almond butter

Pesto

Hummus or Edamame dip

## Proteins (batch cook /sheet pan when possible)

Firm or Extra firm Tofu

Ground Turkey or chicken

Chicken breast or thighs

Canned Tuna, Salmon, sardines

Fresh/frozen Salmon/white fish

Frozen Shrimp or Shrimp Ring

Eggs

Carton Egg whites

# Veg (purchase prepped, pre washed, frozen, or minimal prep options like baby carrots, celery, cucumbers, snap peas, peppers and cabbage mixes to add variety)

Broccoli

Cauliflower

Bagged slaws/salads

Bagged pre grated carrots

Greens of choice (pre-washed arugula, mixed greens, spinach, frozen kale?)

Green Beans (pre cut bagged ones are easier!)

**Peppers** 

baby carrots

Cherry tomatoes

Garlic and onions?

### Fruits (can swap in any fruit of choice ie kiwi, pears, peaches, frozen fruits)

Berries (fresh or frozen)

Banana

**Oranges** 

Apple

Grapes

#### Dairy and alternatives (these are also PROTEIN CHOICES)

**Cottage Cheese** 

Greek Yogurt Plain (0-2%)

Unsweetened Soy/Almond milk or regular milk

Cheese of choice (feta/cheddar)

#### Other

Protein powder (higher protein and higher in BCAA)

Simply Protein bars or Rx bars

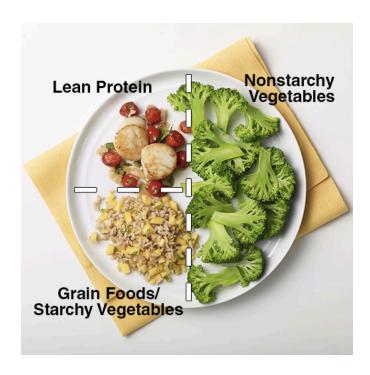
Balsamic or Apple cider vinegar

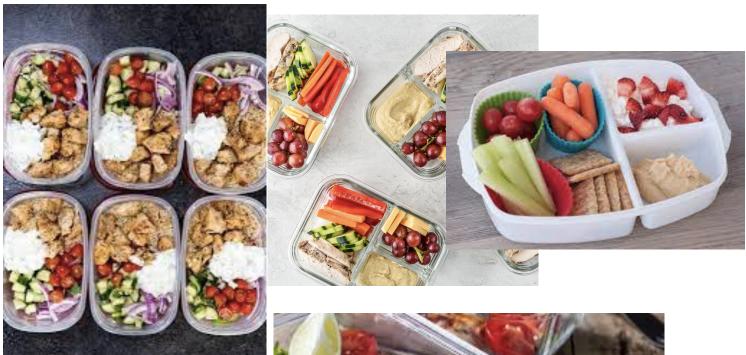
Popcorn?

# Consider:

- Pre-chopping some veg
- Batch cooking a 1-2 grain/starches for the week
- Focusing on whole grain for breads, crackers, and wraps
- Make a breakfast plan with protein (yogurt/ cottage cheese, smoothie, high protein oats or overnight oats with protein powder+chia)
- Batch prep 1 or 2 proteins (HB eggs, chicken breasts)
- Include easy items like pre washed salad mixes and other veg, canned beans, deli meats tofu

Remember your PLATE METHOD







Pics for inspiration

# For meal balance choose:

- 1 protein choice from your list (3/4 c yogurt or cottage cheese,1egg+1/2 cup egg whites,1/2 chicken breast,1/3 block tofu, palm size portion meat, fish, 1/2 can tuna, 1 scoop protein powder)
- 1 fist sized portion whole grain or starch choice from the list (remember fruits are carbs too so they can be included here)
- 2 handfuls of colourful veggies
- Small portion (~thumb size portion fats (dressing, Avocado, cheese, nuts/seeds)