	Happy New Year!	SEI JANUARY 2025 MEI	Suggested Con Aged 60+: \$5	ntribution
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mixed-grain rice served unless indicated Vitamin +C source, Vitamin *A source, **>indicates +1000mg sodium	1% Low fat milk or Soymilk may be available upon request Menu subject to change	1 J-SEI CLOSED	2	3 J-SEI CLOSED
6 HERB ROASTED PORK	7 SALMON YAKI (grilled salmon)	8 TORI DANGO NABE* (tofu &	9 SIMMERED DAIKON &	10 NIKUJAGA w STEAMED
Steamed Broccoli+	w STEAMED CAULIFLOWER+	ground chicken w napa cabbage)	KABOCHA W TOFU+*	BOK CHOY*+
Cucumber & Wakame Sunomono	Cabbage & Carrot Salad	Spring Mix Salad w Garbanzo &	Cabbage & Carrot Salad*	Kinpira Gobo (braised burdock
Fruit	Fruit	Cucumbers	Fruit	root & carrot salad)
		Fruit +	(Miso soup – dine in only)	Fruit
<b>13 BEEF &amp; BROCCOLI+</b> Kinpira Gobo (braised burdock root & carrot salad) Fruit	14 GOMOKU MESHI*+ (five- ingredient mixed rice, chicken & veggies) w Carrots & Zucchini* Spring Mix w cucumbers & black beans Fruit	<b>15 YASAI NABE +* (tofu &amp; vegetable in broth)</b> Edamame Cucumber Wakame Sunomono (in vinegar) Fruit	16 TEPPANYAKI (chicken & vegetables) + Kinpira Gobo (braised burdock root & carrot salad) Fruit (Miso soup – dine in only)	<b>17 VEGETABLE CURRY UDON +*</b> Hijiki (Asian Sea Vegetable) & Edamame Salad Fruit
20 MLK JR DAY	21 MISO SABA w STEAMED CAULIFLOWER+ Spinach Shira-ae (mashed tofu)*+ Fruit	22 CHICKEN HEKKA* (braised chicken w mung bean sprout noodles) Steamed Mustard Greens+* Kinpira Gobo (braised burdock root & carrot salad) Fruit	23 YASAI ZARU SOBA (cold buckwheat noodles with vegetables) Spring Mix w Cucumbers & Tomatoes Fruit + (Miso soup – dine in only)	24 CHIRASHI (sushi rice w scattered toppings) Edamame Spinach Shira-ae (mashed tofu)*+ Fruit
27 NIKU DANGO (beef	28 CHICKEN CREAM STEW w	29 PORK SHOGAYAKI (stir fried	30 BEEF & TOFU PATTY w/	31 ODEN w EGG &
meatballs) w COLLARD	BROCCOLI & PEAS+	marinated pork)	MUSHROOM GRAVY	VEGETABLES* (winter hot pot w
GREENS+*	Spring Mix Salad w Garbanzo &	Steamed Cauliflower+	Squash	egg, daikon, konjac, fish cakes in
Cabbage & Carrot Salad*	Cucumbers	Spring Mix Salad w Carrot &	Hijiki & Edamame Salad	a soy-based broth)
Fruit	Fruit	Garbanzo*	Fruit +	Kinpira Gobo (braised burdock
		Fruit	(Miso soup – dine in only)	root & carrot salad), Fruit+

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# **MyPlate for Older Adults**

Eating a balanced diet and a plate full of colors is important for every age. As we grow older our nutrition needs change. **MyPlate** is a valuable tool that can help guide you toward making healthier food choices. Aiming to include the 5 food groups such as the ones you see on MyPlate, at each meal, helps to ensure variety and adequacy. This equates to a well-balanced diet that includes nutrient, vitamins, and minerals to promote overall well-being.

Here are some great tips from MyPlate:

- 1. Aim to fill ½ of your plate with fruits and vegetables.
- 2. Limit added sugars, saturated fat, and sodium.
- 3. Make eating a social event such as inviting a friend over for lunch or coming into J-Sei for on-site lunch. (See the J-Sei schedule for details)
- 4. Drink plenty of liquids such as water, coffee, milk and/or tea.
- 5. Enjoy eating the colors of the rainbow and choose a variety of different fruits and vegetables.
- 6. Don't forget Dairy for strong bones. Try to choose dairy milk or milk alternatives that are both calcium and vitamin D fortified because this is important for bone health.

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7. Include lean protein and vegetable proteins such as seafood, chicken, beans, peas, and lentils to help maintain muscle mass.

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2020-2025 Dietary Guidelines for Americans

### Fruits & Vegetables

Whole fruits and vegetables are rich in essential nutrients and fiber. Choose a variety that are deeply colored. Take advantage of different forms — particularly fresh and frozen.

# Healthy Oils

Plant oils provide essential fatty acids and fat soluble vitamins. Use them to replace animal fats generally found in meat and full-fat dairy products.

### Herbs & Spices

Replace salt with herbs and spices to enhance flavor and reduce sodium. Look for herb and spice blends without added salt.



### Fluids

Adequate fluid intake is necessary. Sources include water, unsweetened beverages and soups, as well as fruits and vegetables.

### Grains

Enriched grains are good sources of B vitamins, and whole grains of fiber as well. At least ½ should be whole grains.

### Dairy

Milk, yogurt, and cheese are sources of calcium and other nutrients. Choose fat-free and low-fat dairy products in place of reduced- and full-fat.

### Protein

High protein foods are rich in amino acids. Choose a variety including beans, nuts/seeds, fish, poultry and, if desired, lean meat.



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