Department of Health and Human Services Division of Child and Family Well-Being, Community Nutrition Services Section Child and Adult Care Food Program CACFP Product Review Tip Sheet: Cream of Wheat®



Cream of Wheat[®] is a hot, enriched cereal made from wheat farina. There are many varieties of Cream of Wheat[®] on the market. Some are creditable as a grain in the CACFP; some are not. Two varieties meet the criteria for a whole grain-rich grain. Please see the list below for more information.

□ Creditable as a grain, but not a whole grain (made with enriched wheat):

- Original 1 minute
- Original 2 ½ minute
- Original Instant

□ Creditable as a whole grain:

- Whole Grain 2 ½ minute
- Whole Grain Instant

□ Not Creditable:

- Bananas & Cream Instant
- Banana with Real Walnuts Instant
- Cinna-Apple Walnut with Real Apples Instant
- Cinnabon[®] Instant
- Cocoa Nut with Real Almonds Instant
- Maple Brown Sugar Instant
- Maple Brown Sugar with Real Walnuts Instant
- Mixed Berry with Real Almonds Instant

Per the company's website, the sugar content for these varieties is 10-14 grams per 35 gram serving, which exceeds the sugar limit for this serving size.



Ingredients: Wheat Farina, Calcium Carbonate, Salt, Defatted Wheat Germ, Guar Gum, Natural Flavor, Ferric Orthophosphate, Niacinamide, Thiamin Mononitrate, Pyridoxine Hydrochloride, BHT, Riboflavin, Folic Acid, Cholecalciferol.



Ingredients: Whole Grain Wheat, Whey Protein Isolate, Calcium Carbonate, Salt, Defatted Wheat Germ, Guar Gum, Natural Flavor, Ferric Orthophosphate, BHT, Niacinamide, Thiamine Mononitrate, Pyridoxine Hydrochloride, Riboflavin, Folic Acid, Cholecalciferol.



Ingredients: Wheat Farina, Sugar, Calcium Carbonate, Natural Flavors, Guar Gum, Salt, Defatted Wheat Germ, Dry Molasses, Caramel Color, Ferric Orthophosphate, Niacinamide, BHT, Thiamine Mononitrate, Pyridoxine Hydrochloride, Riboflavin, Folic Acid, Cholecalciferol.

Note: Product ingredients can change – always check the ingredient list to ensure the product is creditable. Feel free to contact the NC CACFP Training Team for guidance: <u>CACFPtraining@dhhs.nc.gov</u>.