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From the Kitchen of Executive Chef Jessica VanRoo

Coconut Nut Chocolate Baked Oatmeal

Serves 8, cut into 16 squares, 2 squares per serving

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This tasty twist on oatmeal calls for two high-fiber ingredients: rolled oats and chopped nuts. And instead of sugar, it gets its sweetness from natural sweeteners such as honey, agave syrup or maple syrup.

Total cost of recipe: \$3.90/\$0.49 per serving

Ingredients

- 2 cups rolled oats
- 1/4 cup nuts, chopped
- 1/3 cup shredded unsweetened coconut
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 11/2 cups unsweetened almond or coconut milk

- 2 eggs
- 1/3 cup agave nectar, maple syrup or honey
- 1/2 teaspoon almond or vanilla extract
- 1/4 cup coconut oil, melted
- 6 tablespoons mini chocolate chips

Instructions

- 1. Preheat your oven to 350 degrees and spray an 8"x8" baking sheet with cooking spray.
- 2. Combine oats, nuts, coconut and baking powder. Mix well.
- 3. In another mixing bowl, whisk together milk with eggs, sweetener, extract and coconut oil.
- 4. Combine the wet ingredients with the dry. Stir in chocolate, and spread in prepared pan. Bake oatmeal for 20–25 minutes or until firm and golden brown. Cool for a few minutes and cut. Serve with extra agave, if desired.
- 5. Store in the refrigerator for up to five days, or freeze up to three months.

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