## Apple & Peanut Butter Energy Balls

#### **INGREDIENTS**

- ¼ cup creamy peanut butter
- 2 tablespoons maple syrup
- 2/3 cup unsweetened applesauce
- 2 teaspoons cinnamon
- 2 cups quick oats
- ¾ cup rolled oats
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract, optional
- ½ cup pecans, chopped, optional



### 10 SERVINGS 15 MINUTES



Adapted from: lifemadesweeter.com

- 1.In a large bowl, combine peanut butter, maple syrup, applesauce, and vanilla extract, if using. Stir until well combined.
- 2. Add cinnamon, quick oats, rolled oats, and pecans, if using. Stir until combined.
- 3. Place dough in refrigerator for 30 minutes.
- 4. Using your hands or a cookie scoop, form dough tightly into 1 1.5 inch balls.
- 5. Serve or store in an airtight container in fridge or freeze until ready to serve!

### **Baked Apple Oatmeal**

#### **INGREDIENTS**

- 2 large, sweet apples, peeled and cored
- 1 ½ cups low-fat milk
- ½ cup unsweetened applesauce
- ¼ cup maple syrup
- 1 tablespoon cooking oil
- 1½ teaspoons cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 teaspoon baking soda



### 6 SERVINGS 1 HOUR



Adapted from: eatingwell.com

- 1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Lightly coat a 7-by-11-inch baking dish with cooking spray.
- 2. Chop apples into bite sized pieces to equal 2 cups. Slice the remaining apple into thin half-moons.
- 3.In a large bowl, whisk together milk, applesauce, and maple syrup until smooth.
- 4. Fold in chopped apples, oats, oil, cinnamon, vanilla, and baking soda until evenly combined.
- 5. Pour mixture into the prepared dish and arrange apple slices decoratively on top.
- 6. Cook for 40-45 minutes, or until golden brown on top and the apples are tender.
- 7. Cool slightly before serving.

### **Apple Smoothie Bowl**

#### **INGREDIENTS**

- 1 small banana, frozen
- ½ cup low-fat plain greek yogurt
- 3/3 cup unsweetened applesauce
- ¼ cup rolled oats
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- ½ cup low-fat milk
- A handful of spinach or kale, optional



# 1 SERVING 10 MINUTES



Adapted from: fitfoodiefinds.com

### **PROCEDURE**

- 1. Place all ingredients in a blender.
- Blend on high until smooth, adding more milk until it reaches your preferred consistency.
- 3. Serve the apple smoothie in a bowl with your favorite toppings.

**Topping ideas:** berries, bananas, apples, granola, chopped nuts, or nut butter!

## **Apple Pumpkin Pancakes**

### **INGREDIENTS**

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 3 teaspoons cinnamon
- 2 eggs
- 1.5 cups low-fat milk
- 6 tablespoons canned pumpkin
- ½ cup unsweetened applesauce
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- ¼ cup honey



# 16 SERVINGS 25 MINUTES



Adapted from: beautifuleatsandthings.com

- 1.In a medium bowl, combine flour, baking powder, salt, and cinnamon.
- 2.Stir in eggs, milk, canned pumpkin, unsweetened applesauce, vanilla, and honey until all ingredients are combined.
- 3. Heat griddle on medium heat, and spray with non-stick spray. Using a 1/3 measuring cup, scoop batter onto griddle and cook for about 2 minutes on each side. Flip over when surface is bubbly and edges are dry.
- 4. Serve immediately with maple syrup, or your favorite toppings, and enjoy!

## Cinnamon Applesauce Parfaits

### **INGREDIENTS**

- 1 cup unsweetened applesauce
- 1 cup vanilla greek yogurt
- 1/2 cup granola
- ½ teaspoon cinnamon

### 4 SERVINGS 25 MINUTES



Adapted from: thebittersideofsweet.com



- 1.In a medium mixing bowl, stir together the applesauce and cinnamon.
- 2.In a cup, layer:
  - 2 tablespoons applesauce
  - o 2 tablespoons vanilla yogurt
  - 1 tablespoon granola
- 3. Repeat the layers once more in the same cup.
- 4. Repeat for a total of 4 cups.
- 5. Refrigerate until ready to serve.

### Peanut Butter Applesauce Dip

#### **INGREDIENTS**

- ½ cup unsweetened applesauce
- ¼ cup crunchy peanut butter
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
- ¼ cup raisins
- ¼ cup sunflower kernels or nut of choice

4 SERVINGS
10 MINUTES



Adapted from: k-state.edu



- 1.In a medium mixing bowl, add applesauce, peanut butter, and cinnamon. Stir until well combined.
- 2. Stir in raisins and sunflower kernels (or nuts).
- 3. Serve as a dip or spread!

### **Baked Latkes**

#### **INGREDIENTS**

- 1 pound potatoes, peeled and grated
- 1 small onion, finely chopped
- 1 large egg
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon black pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 tablespoon all-purpose flour
- 1/4 cup unsweetened applesauce





Adapted from: celebrateyourplate.org



- 1. Preheat oven to 450°F. Line a baking sheet with foil and coat with non-stick spray.
- 2. Squeeze liquid from grated potatoes and onion in a colander; transfer to a bowl.
- 3.In a small bowl, beat egg with salt, pepper, and garlic powder. Stir into potato mixture, then add flour.
- 4. Scoop 12 portions onto the sheet; flatten into thin patties. Spray tops with non-stick spray.
- 5. Bake 15 minutes until golden. Flip, spray again, and bake 10-15 minutes more until crisp.
- 6. Serve immediately with a dollop of unsweetened applesauce.

### Zucchini Pumpkin Bread

#### **INGREDIENTS**

- 2 eggs
- 1/3 cup packed brown sugar
- ½ of a 15-ounce can pumpkin puree (about 1 cup)
- ½ cup unsweetened applesauce
- 1 ½ teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1½ cups all-purpose flour
- ½ teaspoon baking soda
- ½ teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 cup zucchini (about 1 large zucchini), shredded

### 12 SERVINGS 90 MINUTES



Adapted from: celebrateyourplate.org



- 1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
- 2. Spray a loaf pan with non-stick spray.
- 3. Combine eggs, sugar, pumpkin, applesauce, and vanilla extract in a large bowl. Use a whisk or fork to combine.
- 4.In a medium bowl mix together flour, baking soda, baking powder, and cinnamon.
- 5. Add dry ingredients to the pumpkin mixture. Stir to combine.
- 6.Gently stir in zucchini to pumpkin mixture, being careful not to over-mix.
- 7. Pour mixture into loaf pan.
- 8. Bake for 55-60 minutes or until a toothpick inserted into the middle of the loaf comes out clean.