# **Broccoli Chicken Casserole**

## Yield: 8 servings

### Ingredients

- 8 ounces whole wheat dried rotini pasta
- 4 cups broccoli florets
- 1 teaspoon extra virgin olive oil
- ½ pound chicken breast, diced
- 2 cups thinly sliced onion
- 8 ounces thinly sliced mushrooms
- 2 teaspoons minced garlic
- 1½ cups milk (almond, cow's, soy, etc.)
- 1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
- 1 teaspoon Italian seasoning
- ½ teaspoon kosher salt
- ¼ teaspoon ground black pepper
- ½ cup low fat shredded cheddar cheese

#### Instructions

- 1. Heat oven to 350 degrees.
- Cook pasta in a large pot of boiling water and cook until al dente per box instructions. In the last 2 minutes of cooking, add broccoli, drain mixture. Set aside in a large bowl.
- 3. Heat a large nonstick pan over medium heat, add oil and cook chicken until mostly cooked, remove chicken and add to pasta and broccoli, reserving oil in pan.
- 4. Add the onions to the heated pan and cook until translucent.
- Add mushrooms and garlic and cook until mushrooms are tender and caramelized.
- Add milk, mustard, Italian seasoning, salt and pepper. Stir to make a sauce.
- 7. Add sauce to the pasta mixture, stir and put mixture in a 9x13 baking pan, top with cheese, cover with foil and bake for 15 minutes or until cheese is melted and sauce is bubbly.

#### **Optional Freezer Instructions:**

- Do steps 1-6, assemble the casserole the same way, wrap the casserole with plastic and freeze.
- 2. Remove plastic, cover with foil and bake for about an hour and a half, or until heated through and cheese is melted.

#### **Nutrition Information**

Serving Size: 1/8 of recipe

Calories: 212 Total Fat: 4 g Saturated Fat: 1.7 g Monounsaturated Fat: 1 g Polyunsaturated Fat: 5 g

Protein: 16 g Total Carbohydrate: 30 g Dietary Fiber: 4 g Sugars: 6 g Sodium: 239 mg

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