

## Counting the Cost: Eating Out versus Eating In

### \*Full Menu Comparisons

#### Chicken and Dumplings

with banana, kiwi, and apple slices in poppy seed dressing  
 $(2.24 \times 4) + 3.68 =$  12.64 total

#### Chili's

Dad: Monterey Chicken® 10.29  
Mom: Quesadilla Explosion Salad 8.79  
Alex: Pepper Pals® Country-Fried Chicken Crispers with corn on the cob and chocolate milk (meal) 4.29  
Lulu: Pepper Pals® Cheese Quesadilla with cinnamon apples and chocolate milk (meal) 4.29  
 $10.29 + 8.79 + 4.29 + 4.29 = 27.66 + 4.70 \text{ Tip (18\%)} =$  32.36 total

#### Sweet-and-Sour Chicken

With chow mein noodles and shelled edamame, cut green beans, and sliced mushrooms  $(2.24 \times 4) + 3.00 =$  11.96 total

#### Wu's Garden

Dad: Family Dinner Kung Pao Chicken 11.95  
Mom: Family Dinner Chicken with Cashews 11.95  
Alex and Lulu share with their parents  
Take out:  $11.95 + 11.95 + 2.40 \text{ Tip (10\%)} =$  26.30 total

#### Lemon Chicken

With long-grain and wild rice and steamed green beans  
 $(2.24 \times 4) + 3.00 + 3.00 =$  14.96 total

#### Chick-fil-A

Dad: Chargrilled Chicken Club meal (medium drink and medium waffle potato fries) 7.35  
Mom: Southwest Chargrilled Salad 5.65  
Alex: Chick-fil-A Nuggets (6 count) (waffle potato fries and drink) 3.99  
Lulu: Chick-fil-A Nuggets (4 count) (waffle potato fries and drink) 3.05  
No tip  
 $7.35 + 5.65 + 3.99 + 3.05 =$  20.04 total

#### South-of-the-Border Ground Beef and Corn Pie

with bagged Pacifico green salad with dressing  
 $(2.24 \times 4) + 2.00 =$  10.96 total

### Del Taco

Dad: Spicy Cheese Burrito and Chicken Soft Taco (meal: small drink, small fries) 5.69  
Mom: Deluxe Classic Chicken Burrito (meal: small drink, small fries) 5.29  
Alex: Big Fat Chicken Taco and Chicken Soft Taco (meal: small drink, small fries) 5.69  
Lulu: Cheddar Quesadilla and Two Soft Tacos (meal: small drink, small fries) 4.99  
No tip  
 $5.69 + 5.29 + 5.69 + 4.99 =$  21.66 total

### Country-Style Ribs

With mashed potatoes and steamed corn  
 $(2.24 \times 4) + 2.50 + 1.67 =$  13.13 total

### Fazoli's

Dad: Twice-Baked Lasagna combo 8.28  
Mom: Penne with Creamy Basil Chicken combo 8.78  
Alex: Kids' meal with supervised craft .99  
Lulu: Kids' meal with supervised craft .99  
No tip  
 $8.28 + 8.78 + .99 + .99 =$  19.04 total

### Pineapple Burgers

with macaroni and cheese, pickles, and watermelon  $(2.24 \times 4) + 2.79 + 2.50 + 1.00 =$  15.25 total

### Red Robin

Dad: Whiskey River® BBQ Chicken Wrap 9.99  
Mom: The Garden Burger 8.49  
Alex: Red's Pizzeria Pizza (meal) 4.79  
Lulu: Red Robinetti Spaghetti (meal) 4.59  
 $9.99 + 8.49 + 4.79 + 4.59 = 27.86 + 5.00 \text{ Tip (18\%)} =$  32.86 total

### Penne in Cream Sauce with Sausage

With fresh steamed broccoli  $(2.24 \times 4) = 1.79 =$  10.75 total

### Noodles

Dad: Pad Thai with chicken breast 7.25  
Mom: Noodles, soup, salad trio 7.25  
Alex: Wisconsin Mac & Cheese® 5.25  
Lulu: Chicken Noodle Soup 3.95  
No tip  
 $7.25 + 7.25 + 5.25 + 3.95 =$  23.70 total