

## **SPAGHETTI PIE**

**Advanced Lifestyle** 

## **INGREDIENTS**

6 ounces uncooked spaghetti

1 pound lean ground beef (80% lean)

1/2 cup finely chopped onion

1/4 cup chopped green pepper

1 cup undrained canned diced tomatoes

1 can (6 ounces) tomato paste

1 TSP dried oregano

3/4 TSP salt

1/2 TSP garlic powder

1/4 TSP pepper

1/4 TSP sugar

2 large egg whites, lightly beaten

1 TBS butter, melted

1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese

1 cup (8 ounces) low- or fat-free cottage cheese

1/2 cup shredded part-skim Mozzarella cheese

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

- —Preheat oven to 350°. Cook spaghetti according to package directions for al dente; drain.
- —In large skillet, cook beef, onion and green pepper over medium heat 5-7 minutes or until beef no longer pink, breaking up beef into crumbles; drain. Stir in tomatoes, tomato paste, seasonings, sugar.
- —In large bowl, whisk egg whites, melted butter and Parmesan cheese until blended. Add spaghetti and toss to coat. Press spaghetti mixture onto bottom and up sides of a 9-in. deep-dish pie plate coated with cooking spray, forming a crust.
- —Spread cottage cheese onto bottom; top with beef mixture.
- —Bake, uncovered, 20 minutes. Sprinkle with mozzarella cheese. Bake 5-10 minutes longer or until heated through. Let stand 5 minutes before serving.

**SERVING INFO:** (Serves 4)

1/6 of the spaghetti pie = 1/2 P, 2 V, 1 G

See photo of recipe at Instagram and Facebook.