Kitchen Krafts

When you're hungry and in a hurry, try one of these after-school pizza snacks.

Pita Pizza Pockets

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- 2 tablespoons spaghetti sauce
- 1 slice pita bread, cut in half to make two pockets shredded mozzarella cheese to taste
- 1/2 cup chopped ham or pepperoni, divided Parmesan cheese to taste
- 1. Spread a tablespoon of spaghetti sauce inside each pita pocket. Add mozzarella cheese, meat, and Parmesan cheese.

2. Place pita pockets on

Pizza Dip 8 ounce:

- 8 ounces (227 g) ricotta cheese
- 1 1/2 cups mozzarella cheese, divided
 - 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1/2 cup spaghetti sauce

Toppings:

- 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
 - 1 teaspoon Italian seasoning
- 1/4 cup chopped pepperoni or cooked sausage
- 1/4 cup chopped green pepper
- 1/4 cup chopped olives
- 1. Heat the oven to 350°F (177°C). Mix the ricotta cheese, 1 cup mozzarella cheese, mayonnaise, and spaghetti sauce in a bowl. Pour the mixture into a 9-inch (23-cm) pie plate and bake for 10 minutes.
- a microwave-safe plate and 2. Sprinkle the pizza toppings microwave for 30 seconds and the rest of the mozzarella or until the cheese cheese on top of the dip. melts. Heat for an additional 5 minutes or until the dip is heated through. Serve warm with crackers. ILLUSTRATION BY BRAD TEARE