

Cheapest food prices available at Fred Meyer and Waremart

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Students who seek the least expensive grocery stores may find that they will save money by traveling outside the University area.

In a recent survey of the prices of 10 staple foods, Fred Meyer Food Store, 650 Q St. in Springfield, and Waremart Food Store, 2101 W. 11th Ave. in Eugene, looked significantly better at the cash register than the closer Safeway, McKays Market, or Albertsons.

Although the shopper will need a car to drive the nearly four miles from campus to Fred Meyer, the expenditure for gas might well be cancelled out by the savings on food. Besides having lower prices on many name and store brand items, Fred Meyer has a Low Price Island of generic goods, which claims a 10-30-percent savings over name brands. The Island includes an array of rice, beans, tomato sauce, cake mixes, spices and canned goods, as well as paper and laundry products.

The shopper may not get the quantities they desire, since generics tend to run in limited sizes.

Waremart Food Store is three miles from campus, it is within walking distance of Westmoreland Family Student Housing. It is also a bargain for campus-dwellers who wish to come a long way. Heartier students might wish to bicycle the straight flat distance down West 11th Ave.

Waremart, which is open 24 hours a day during the week, stocks a large selection of bulk items such as flour, sugar and oats, that gives the shopper the luxury of choosing the exact amount they wish to buy.

Waremart also carries generic products, which are disbursed throughout the store for easy comparison shopping with other brands.



Photo by Mark Pynes

McKay's supermarket ranked fifth in a survey of prices among local stores.

Albertsons, 1675 W. 18th Ave., did not do well in the survey, though its location on the way to Westmoreland Family Student Housing might be a savings in terms of convenience. A bicyclist living on campus could ride to Albertson's with little trouble — it is five blocks closer to the west side of campus than Waremart.

Safeway, 145 E. 18th Ave., which is within walking distance from campus, fared slightly better than Albertson's, though it does not stock generic items like the other four stores.

McKay's Market, 1906 Franklin Blvd., located within sight of the residence halls on the east

side of campus, might be a good place to pick up a few odds and ends for the sake of convenience, but it definitely lost the war of the pocketbook in the survey.

In all five stores, the store brands were consistently cheaper than the big name brands, though they did not always hold up against generic items or name brands that were on sale. A wise shopper should watch the newspapers for specials, and compare those prices with the generic and store brands before deciding what to buy and where.

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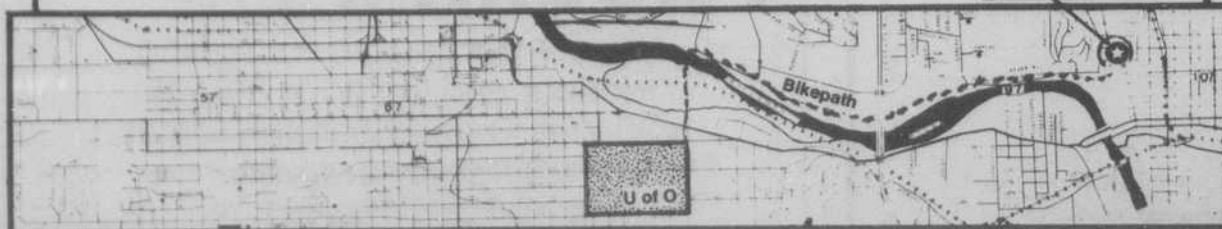
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