Ground Beef Casserole

Ingredients

- 1 lb uncooked penne
- 1/2 medium, chopped
- 1 lb extra lean ground beef
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1.5 cups marinara sauce
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 1.5 cups shredded cheddar cheese

Steps

- 1. Preheat oven to 400 degrees F and move rack to middle position. Grease 9x13 baking dish
- 2. Boil water for 1 lb uncooked penne and cook 1 min less than box instructions
- 3. Add the following in a skillet:
 - 1 tbsp olive oil
 - 1 lb extra lean ground beef
 - 1/2 medium onion, chopped
 - 1 clove garlic: stir in once beef is cooked and spoon out excess fat
- 4. Stir in 1.5 cups marinara and season with salt and pepper
- 5. Drain pasta and pour into baking dish. Pour in beef mixture and toss to combine.
- 6. Top with 1.5 cups shredded cheddar cheese
- 7. Bake for 10 mins, uncovered, until cheese is nicely melted. Optionally broil for a few minutes to brown the cheese