



Safely Use Chemical Cleaners and Disinfectants

Be sure to use the right product for the task at hand.



Cleaning removes dirt and most germs.

Soap and water usually do the trick. You'll get even better results when you also use a microfiber cleaning cloth dampened with water.



Surfaces should be cleaned daily.

If your facility has confirmed cases of virus, clean more frequently. Use disinfectants only where necessary.



Sanitizing reduces germs.

Sanitizing is most effective after thorough cleaning.



Clean in the evening.

It's best to limit children's exposure to chemicals and allow the appropriate time to increase germ-killing effectiveness.



Disinfecting kills most germs.

Make sure you clean deeply first!



Parents can help.

Keeping schools safe is everyone's responsibility. Supply fragrance-free baby wipes, paper towels, and hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol content. Never send disinfecting wipes, which contain chemicals that can trigger asthma and adverse health effects.



Devise a plan for cleaning and sanitizing your school.

List hard surfaces that are touched most frequently:

- Door and locker handles
- Toilet flush handles
- Faucets
- Bubbler (drinking fountain)
- Toys and changing tables



Most important, don't forget to wash your hands!

See videos and learn more at: dhs.wi.gov/safekeeping



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