

Merced County Office of Education Facilities: Cleaning and Disinfecting

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The Merced County Office of Education recognizes reducing the risk of exposure to COVID-19 can occur with proper cleaning and disinfection.

The MCOE custodial staff normal cleaning routine, includes the use of cleaning and disinfecting with 409 Cleaner. These products are used to clean and disinfect toilets, sinks, bathroom floors, door handles, etc. We also use an ammonia based product for glass surfaces, 409 cleaner on electronic devices when appropriate. (EPA registration information on these products is available in exhibit A). We clean hard surface floors with a Marauder a peroxide based cleaner or True 7 a neutral cleaner.

An addition to our disinfecting routine is an electrostatic fogger. The fogger distributes a disinfecting solution via a chlorinated tablet as a mist. Currently we have assigned foggers to all our night custodians and 3 to our transportation department. Each evening after the custodian cleans and disinfects their current assigned rooms, they use the fogger.

Since the advent of COVID-19, we reinforced to the custodial staff the importance of our day to day cleaning routine with the following focus:

Areas to focus on while disinfecting:

Classrooms

Doorknobs, door glass, door frames, counters, teachers' desk, tables, student desk and chairs, drinking fountains, sinks, fixtures, refrigerator handles, light switches, and any other surface areas identified by program as frequent "touch spots".

Restrooms

Entry door areas, counters, sinks and faucet handles, flush handles, stalls, fixtures and dispensers and any other surfaces which are touched.

Office areas

Doorknobs, door glass, door frames, counters, desk areas that are accessible, tables, chairs, drinking fountains, sinks, fixtures, light switches, copy machines, refrigerator handles and any other surfaces which are touched.

Frequency of Cleaning and Disinfecting:

Custodial routines vary depending on their assigned site, whether deep cleaning is occurring, school is in session or at times when staff are present on a regular and routine basis. At a minimum, separate staff restrooms are cleaned and disinfected 2x a day. Each room/site or restroom building will have a checklist.

Office areas and classrooms are serviced after room occupants are done for the day.

Cleaning and Disinfecting after someone is sick

The MCOE follows the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines for cleaning and disinfecting our facilities.

Resources:

[CDC Reopening Guidance for Cleaning and Disinfecting Public Spaces, Workplaces, Businesses, Schools and Homes](#)

[Guidance for Cleaning and Disinfecting](#)

[Cleaning and disinfecting your building or facility if someone is sick](#)

[CDC/EPA guidance for cleaning and disinfecting](#)

[EPA List N: Disinfectants for Use Against SARS-CoV-2 \(COVID-19\)](#)

Exhibit A

[EPA List N: Disinfectants for Use Against SARS-CoV-2 \(COVID-19\)](#)

Finding a Product

To find a product, enter **the first two sets** of its **EPA registration number** into the search bar below. You can find this number by looking for the EPA Reg. No. on the product label.

For example, if EPA Reg. No. 12345-12 is on List N, you can buy EPA Reg. No. 12345-12-2567 and know you're getting an equivalent product.

Name of Product	EPA #
Clorox Commercial Cleaner Formula 409 Cleaner Degreaser Disinfectant	67619-1
PUR TABS (Dilution 0.5 ppm-5550 ppm) Effervescent Disinfecting tablets	71847-6-91524
Green Clean Chlorinating Tablet	71847-6-91524