

# Custodial/Grounds Services

High Touch Point Cleaning Protocol

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# **High Touch Points (HTPs)**

HTPs in Schools That Custodians Should Be Cleaning includes, but not limited to:

High Touch Points are surfaces that are touched frequently over the course of the day.

HTP: include classroom door edges, handles/push bars, phones, light switches, drinking fountains, classroom sink fixtures, paper & soap dispensers, handrails, restroom sink fixtures and sink surroundings, restroom stalls, stall doors & locks, restroom paper & soap dispensers, gym equipment such as floor mats, exercise equipment, etc.

## Daily Cleaning

### **Classrooms, Offices and General Areas:**

• All HTPs are cleaned and sanitized daily using a **blue** microfiber towel and 3M™ #34 Peroxide Cleaner Always apply chemical to the towel and not to the surface

#### **Restrooms, Sick Rooms, Locker Rooms:**

All HTPs are cleaned and disinfected daily using a yellow microfiber towel and 3M™ #5 Quat
 Disinfectant Cleaner or 3M™ 42 MBS Disinfectant Cleaner See Disinfection Protocol for detail
 instructions

#### **Gym Exercise Equipment:**

 All HTPs are cleaned and disinfected daily using a blue microfiber towel and 3M™ #5 Quat Disinfectant Cleaner

# **Weekly Cleaning**

#### **Classrooms, Offices and General Areas:**

All HTPs are cleaned and disinfected once weekly using a blue microfiber towel and 3M<sup>™</sup>
 #5 Quat Disinfectant Cleaner or 3M<sup>™</sup> 42 MBS Disinfectant Cleaner

Every Wednesday disinfect all student desks/tables using the correct dwell time then wipe dry with blue microfiber towel

The guiding principal is to remove microbes if possible rather than kill them with a disinfectant. In addition, thoroughly cleaning a surface can reduce the need to disinfect because without the nutrients and moisture needed to survive and multiply, most microbes cannot live on a clean and dry surface for very long. High-quality microfiber towels can enhance this process. Studies have found that cleaning with a microfiber towel removes up to 99% of microbes.

Studies have found that an ongoing cleaning program is the best strategy to prevent disease transmission. Following the proper cleaning procedures on a daily basis is considered our Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) and will reduce the need for disinfectants as well as the transmission of many diseases.