Community Facility Cleaning Guidance for COVID-19 Coronavirus

This guidance is for schools, daycare centers, businesses, community centers, and other non-healthcare settings that are visited by the public.

Routine Cleaning and Disinfection
- Clean first to remove germs and dirt.
  - Clean all regularly touched surfaces, like workstations, countertops, doorknobs, and light switches. Use the cleaner usually used in these areas.
  - Provide disposable wipes so commonly used surfaces can be wiped down by employees, students, or staff before each use.
- Disinfect using an EPA-registered disinfectant that is appropriate for the surface. Follow the directions on the label.
  - Examples of appropriate disinfectants can be found at the EPA website.
- Read product labels and be sure to use cleaning products safely and correctly. Follow any instructions on the product like wearing gloves or airing out the space.

Cleaning and Disinfection After People Suspected or Confirmed to have COVID-19 Coronavirus Have Been in the Facility
- Close off areas used by the sick person. Cleaning staff should clean and disinfect all areas used by the sick person, including offices, bathrooms, common areas and especially regularly touched surfaces.
- Open outside doors and windows to air out the space while cleaning.
- If possible, wait up to 24 hours before starting cleaning and disinfection to lower cleaning staff's chance of exposure.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for Cleaning Staff
- Cleaning staff should wear disposable gloves and gowns for all tasks in the cleaning process.
  - Follow directions on your cleaning/disinfection products to decide if you need any other protective equipment.
  - Remove gloves and gowns carefully to avoid contamination.
- Wash hands with soap and water immediately after removing gloves.
- Report any breaches in PPE, like a tear in your gloves to a supervisor.
- Employers should teach cleaning staff about the symptoms of COVID-19 coronavirus and provide instructions on what to do if they get sick after cleaning.