



Green cleaning

Protect health without harming the school environment

Purchase green products and equipment

- ✓ The least toxic or green chemicals for the job
- ✓ Microfiber cloths and mops to pick up dust and dirt
- ✓ HEPA vacuum cleaners
- ✓ Unscented products...clean does not have an odor!
- ✓ Environmentally preferable paper and recycled/compostable trash can liners

Adopt green cleaning procedures

- ✓ Establish a list of prohibited chemicals
- ✓ Provide classroom teachers with one approved all-purpose cleaner
- ✓ Use less product by spraying the cloth rather than the surface to be cleaned
- ✓ Use sanitizers & disinfectants only in frequent touch zones (door handles, keyboards etc.)
- ✓ Use walk-off mats at each entrance to keep the area clean
- ✓ Discourage air fresheners

Know what green really is

- ✓ Look for these words on a product label: an ingredient list, non-toxic, biodegradable, phosphate free, contains no dyes or bleach, recyclable containers
- ✓ Get help online from 3rd party green certifiers: EcoLogo, Green Seal, or EPA's Design for the Environment

Keep school rooms organized and clean

- ✓ Have a regular clean up time each week in the classroom
- ✓ Encourage frequent handwashing with soap and water