

REMINDERS FOR USING DISINFECTANTS at Schools and Child Care Programs

During the COVID-19 pandemic, many California schools and child care programs have made it a priority to disinfect high-touch surfaces.

How to use disinfectants properly:

- **Never allow students to use disinfectants or touch the applied product.** Keep all disinfectants out of the reach of students.
- **Use only EPA-registered disinfectants.** Locate the EPA registration number on the product label and follow all label directions. Hand sanitizing products cannot be used to disinfect surfaces.
- **Keep the surface wet for the required contact time.** The contact time, specific to each product, is how long a surface must remain wet in order to be disinfected. If using disinfectant wipes, multiple wipes may be required.

DON'T FORGET

Under the Healthy Schools Act, DPR provides **online training** on how to use disinfectants. www.cdpr.ca.gov.

Disinfectants are pesticides and **must be used according to the label.**

