Disinfectants For Use In Early Care and Education

These recommendations are taken from the report, *Safer Products and Practices for Disinfecting and Sanitizing Surfaces* developed by the San Francisco Department of the Environment and the Green Purchasing Institute. Informed Green Solutions has customized it for the child care audience.

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**Recommended Disinfectants**

Concentrated products - preferred for environmental reasons - are highlighted. Retail products from stores are marked with an asterisk. Other products are institutional products and available through cleaning products vendors. Contact your local school for names of vendors in your area.

**Products for After Hours Cleaning (having a longer dwell time)**

**Caprylic/Octanoic Acid**

- **Ecolab 65 Disinfecting Heavy-Duty Acid Bathroom Cleaner** (Concentrate: 1:16-1:21, 10-minute dwell time)

**Citric Acid**

- **Clean-Cide Ready to Use Germicidal Detergent** (RTU, 5-minute dwell time)
- *Comet Bathroom Cleaner With Disinfectant* (RTU, 10-minute dwell time)
- *Comet Disinfecting Bathroom Cleaner* (RTU, 10-minute dwell time)
- **Green Solutions Restroom Cleaner** (RTU, 10-minute dwell time)
- *Method Antibac Kitchen/Bathroom Cleaner* (RTU, 10-minute dwell time)
- *Professional Lysol Brand II Disinfectant Basin Tub & Tile* (RTU, 10-minute dwell time)

**Hydrogen Peroxide (including “Accelerated” HP)**

- **Accel Concentrate** (Concentrate: 1:16 dilution, 5-minute dwell time)
- **Alpha-HP Multi-Surface Disinfectant Cleaner** (Concentrate, 1:64 dilution, 10-minute dwell time)
- **Carpe Diem Concentrate Five 16** (Concentrate, 1:16 dilution, 5-minute dwell time)
- **Oxivir Five 16** (Concentrate, 1:16 dilution, 5-minute dwell time)
- *Lysol Power & Free Bathroom Cleaner With Hydrogen Peroxide* (RTU, 10-minute dwell time)
**Lactic Acid**

- *Bright Green Disinfecting All Purpose Cleaner* (RTU, 5-minute dwell time)
- *Bright Green Antimicrobial Toilet Bowl Cleaner* (RTU, 5-minute dwell time)
- *Scrubbing Bubbles Multi-Surface Bathroom Cleaner* (RTU, 5-minute dwell time)
- *Lysol Brand III Disinfecting All Purpose Cleaner* (RTU, 5-minute dwell time)
- *Windex Disinfectant Cleaner/Windex Touch-Up Cleaner II* (RTU, 10-minute dwell time)
- *Windex Multi-Surface Antibacterial*/Windex Touch-Up Cleaner (RTU, 5-minute dwell time)

**Products for Daytime Use (having a shorter dwell time)**

- *Accel Tb* (RTU, 1-minute dwell time)
- *Accel Tb Wipes* (RTU, 1-minute dwell time)
- *Carpe Diem Tb* (RTU, 1-minute dwell time)
- *Carpe Diem Tb Wipes* (RTU, 1-minute dwell time)
- *Clorox Healthcare Hydrogen Peroxide Cleaner Disinfectant* (RTU, 1-minute dwell time for most organisms)
- *Clorox Healthcare Hydrogen Peroxide Cleaner Disinfectant Wipes* (RTU, 1-minute dwell time for most organisms)
- *Clorox Hydrogen Peroxide Cleaner Disinfectant* (RTU, 1-minute dwell time for most organisms)
- *Clorox Hydrogen Peroxide Cleaner Disinfectant Wipes* (RTU, 1-minute dwell time for most organisms)
- *Optim Tb* (RTU, 1-minute dwell time)
- *Optim Tb Wipes* (RTU, 1-minute dwell time)
- *Oxivir Tb* (RTU, 1-minute dwell time)