

Reducing Cleaning Chemicals in Schools and Universities



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Why using less bad ‘chemistry’ means greater health and resources for your school.

When launching an upgrade to your school’s cleaning program, consider starting by cleaning up your ‘cleaning’ products to reduce unnecessary chemical use. In many cases, your custodial crew and teaching staff can reduce or eliminate many cleaning chemicals—such as those with fragrances—without sacrificing effective cleaning.

There are sound reasons to use less cleaning chemistry:

- **Less Toxic, Disruptive Chemistry = Greater Health**
- **Less Harsh Chemistry = More Money**
- **Less Dirty Chemistry = More Time, Safety**
- **Less Unwanted Chemistry = Cleaner Environment**

What is not brought into your school or classroom will not have to be removed later. Avoid the introduction of unnecessary chemical cleaners into schools. A cleaner, healthier school environment can be achieved with less cost, freeing up resources for better teaching and learning.

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