



## **SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT #48**

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### **NHDHHS and CDC Procedures for COVID 19 and Other Viruses**

As an SAU, we are monitoring and following the guidance shared by the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services and the Center for Disease Control (CDC). In a most recent webinar presented by the NHDHHS and CDC on March 3, 2020, they stated the following:

“Schools, colleges and universities should routinely clean all frequently touched surfaces such as desks, tables, chairs and doorknobs. This would apply to school buses as well. There is no specific guidelines around how frequently this should occur but it should be regular. No additional disinfection beyond routine cleaning is recommended at this time. Use cleaning agents that are usually used in these areas and follow the directions on the label.”

### **SAU Message**

The health and wellness of our school community is always on our minds. As you are aware, this time of year has always presented the challenges of colds, viruses, and flus. This year added to the list of viruses is the Corona Virus, and one strand in particular, COVID-19, which has been in the recent news headlines.

- As a school district, we are monitoring and following the guidance shared by the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services – Division of Public Health Services and the Center for Disease Control.
- Our contracted nursing staff through Speare Memorial Hospital is closely monitoring the situation and the health of our school community.
- All members of our school community are being reminded to stay home if they are sick, wash their hands with soap and water, and appropriately cover their coughs/sneezes.

### **SAU Facilities**

SAU 48 wanted to share information with you, which you may find helpful and hopefully, reassuring. Within the SAU, school districts participate in the following routines:

- Use of Hydrogen based cleaners and disinfectant
- Cordless electrostatic sprayer and/or microfiber cleaning cloths
- Water fountains are cleaned nightly
- Routine cleaning of commonly touched surfaces such as desks, doorknobs, railings, etc. are performed
- Every February break a deep cleaning is performed, consequently students, staff and administration returned to a fully cleaned school
- Retraining/update training on electrostatic sprayers and cleaners