Super Clean Hands

Handwashing

Hands should be washed to reduce the spread of germs and illnesses.

**Hands should be washed if they are visibly dirty and...**

- After coughing, sneezing, & blowing your nose
- After going to the bathroom, handling diapers or helping a child/person with toileting
- After touching animals including feeding or picking-up their waste
- After cleaning, sanitizing and disinfecting
- After touching garbage
- After caring for some who is sick
- After treating a injury or wound
- After touching your eyes
- After entering a child care facility
- Before & after eating and working with food

**Soap & Water:**

1. Turn on the water (warm or cold)  
2. Wet hands  
3. Add soap (liquid or bar soap)  
4. Rub the front, back of your hands and wrist. Get under your fingernails and between your fingers. Rub hands together for 20 seconds. (It could be helpful to sing ABC’s or another song to make hand washing fun and so children will know when 20 seconds is over.)  
5. Rinse all the soap off hands  
6. Dry hands on towel  
7. Turn off water

**Hand Sanitizer:**

- If soap & water are not available, then use hand sanitizer  
- It must be at least 60% alcohol based  
- If hands are visibly dirty, they should be washed with soap & water

**Resource:**


**References:**

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6. Turn off the water
7. Dry your hands. Get them super dry!

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