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The Fort Smith Public Schools Security & Facilities team has established the following Sterilization Response Plan for the 2020-2021 school year. These procedures are in place for all FSPS buildings in response to COVID-19 and our reopening. With this plan, we will strive to provide a sterile and safe learning environment for all students and staff, and to help slow the spread of COVID-19.

Sterilization Response Plan:

- Each classroom as well as any activity or common area will be sanitized a minimum of once per day.
- After passing periods, teams will be sent to spray common area touch points (water fountains, door knobs, locker handles, handrails, pencil sharpeners, etc.).
- Chemicals used are Vital Oxide, Hypochlorous Acid and HDQ Neutral, based on availability.
- Top to bottom disinfecting occurs in the classes we have confirmed cases of COVID-19.
- Every classroom has a hand sanitizer dispenser installed.
- All common areas have hand sanitizers installed.
- Cafeterias will be cleaned and sanitized thoroughly after each meal, and have at least one hand sanitizer dispenser installed.

Elementary Schools:

FSPS Security & Facilities will deploy a team of Facilities staff to supplement existing custodial staff with performing sterilization procedures. All touchpoints will be sterilized and cleaned throughout the day.

Junior High Schools:

FSPS Security & Facilities will deploy a team of Facilities staff to supplement existing custodial staff with performing sterilization procedures. All touchpoints will be sterilized and cleaned throughout the day.

High Schools:

FSPS Security & Facilities will deploy a team of Facilities staff to supplement existing custodial staff with performing sterilization procedures. All touchpoints will be sterilized and cleaned throughout the day.

Confirmed Covid-19 Case: When the decision has been made for building dismissal, FSPS will deploy response teams for complete top to bottom immediate sterilization by utilizing UV lighting, foggers and other equipment. The following [CDC Guidelines](#) for sterilization response for positive COVID-19 cases will be used in all FSPS buildings:

Close off areas used, open windows and doors for circulation, and temporarily cut HVAC system
Wait 24 hours before disinfecting if possible, or as long as possible
Spray and/or fog all areas used by the person and all touch points with an EPA rated virucide
Do not vacuum a room or space until all people have vacated the area
Once an area has been appropriately disinfected, it can be reopened for use