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WASHING YOUR HANDS



When to wash your hands according to the CDC

You can help yourself and your loved ones stay healthy by washing your hands often, especially during these key times when you are likely to get and spread germs:

- Before, during, and after preparing food
- Before eating food
- Before and after caring for someone at home who is sick with vomiting or diarrhea
- Before and after treating a cut or wound
- After using the toilet
- After changing diapers or cleaning up a child who has used the toilet
- After blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing
- After touching an animal, animal feed, or animal waste
- After handling pet food or pet treats
- After touching garbage

Steps To Wash Your Hands

- 1. Wet your hands with clean, running water (warm or cold), turn off the tap, and apply soap.
- 2. Lather your hands by rubbing them together with the soap. Lather the backs of your hands, between your fingers, and under your nails.
- **3.** Scrub your hands for at least 20 seconds. Need a timer? Hum the "Happy Birthday" song from beginning to end twice.
- 4. Rinse your hands well under clean, running water.
- 5. Dry your hands using a clean towel or air dry them.

Use Hand Sanitizer



Washing hands with soap and water is the best way to get rid of germs in most situations. If soap and water are not readily available, you can use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol. You can tell if the sanitizer contains at least 60% alcohol by looking at the product label.

Sanitizers can quickly reduce the number of germs on hands in many situations. However,

- Sanitizers do not get rid of all types of germs.
- Hand sanitizers may not be as effective when hands are visibly dirty or greasy.
- Hand sanitizers might not remove harmful chemicals from hands like pesticides and heavy metals.

(CDC Handwashing Resource)	
	Health & Wellness Center
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Need Medical Consultation?

Our Medical Doctor and Nurse Practitioner are here for you! We are open Monday-Friday 9am-4:30pm via phone and Zoom conference for current registered students. For more information and to schedule an appointment, call the **Nurse Advice Line (949) 451-5687**!

Stressed? Anxious? Need to talk to someone?

Mental Health Therapists are available for current registered students! Our team of highly qualified therapists are available via Zoom conference. For more information and to schedule an appointment, call the **Nurse Advice Line (949) 451-5687**!