

The following information provides general guidance on how to clean high-touch computers and electronic devices. The guidance below was adapted from:

1. CDC [Cleaning & Disinfecting Schools](#),
2. Apple [“How to Clean your Apple Products”](#), and
3. Smart Tech [“How to Clean SMART Board surfaces”](#)
4. Clear Touch [“Care Guide for Clear Touch Displays”](#)

All electronics in shared and public locations should be frequently cleaned and disinfected. When cleaning electronics it is important to follow the manufacturer recommendations for specific cleaning requirements.

## General cleaning tips

- Turn off or unplug all electronic devices.
- Focus on touch surfaces – touchscreens, keyboards, mice, copiers, telephones, etc.
- Ensure moisture *does not* get into any openings to avoid damage.
- Do not use aerosol sprays, bleach or abrasive cleaners.
- Never spray cleaner directly on an item.
- Allow all surfaces to dry on their own. Disinfectants must be allowed to act on the surface to be effective, wait 15 minutes.

## Approved COVID-19 disinfectants\* safe for electronics

- Using a Clorox disinfectant wipe or a wipe containing **70% alcohol**, gently and carefully wipe the hard, nonporous surface of the item. This includes the display, touchscreen keyboard, mouse and the exterior surface of the item. If you have concerns about the cleaning product being used, please refer to the manufacturer’s recommendations and warning label.
- When using a disinfectant wipe, it is important to follow the contact time found on the label. It may be necessary to use more than one wipe to keep the surface wet for the recommended contact time.
- Do not use bleach to disinfect computers and electronics.

**\* Although a disinfectant wipe is preferred, if they are not readily available, one may instead dampen a paper towel with disinfectant. Disinfectant should not be dripping off of the paper towel, but still wet enough to ensure disinfectant is present.**