

Module 8: Physical Environment

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Video Summary

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The physical environment includes considerations such as:

- Cleaning and maintenance practices;
- Indoor air quality practices;
- Environmental contaminant hazard reduction; and
- Pest prevention.

Promoting school environmental health also means making sure school facilities' staff receive adequate training and that students are engaged and actively involved in promoting environmental health.