Today

- The professional cleaner’s basic information
- Safety
- Preparation
- Specific cleaning tasks
pH is a unit of measurement, like ounces, gallons or yards. It is a means of expressing the degree of acidity or alkalinity of a water base solution (solvent products do not have pH.) The pH level measures the strength of a solution, not the amount of active chemical present. The reading would not increase greatly if the concentration of active ingredients was increased. The pH measure is based on a negative logarithmic scale. Going from one pH unit to the next increases or decreases the value by 10 times.
Characteristics of Cleaners

- Wetting
- Penetration
- Emulsification
- Rinsing
Situations Affecting Cleaners

- Time
- Abrasion
- Chemical dilution
- Temperature
Work Smarter, Not Harder

- Prepare chemicals and equipment
- Top to bottom, dry to wet, back to front
- Dirtiest to cleanest
- Clean in the same direction
- Finish one task before starting another
Think Safety

- Read all product labels
- Read and understand MSDS sheets
- Wear proper Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Practice Universal Precautions
- Place caution signs
- Report any unsafe conditions
Preparation

- Supply checklist
- Check PPE items
- Review tasks to be performed
- Ask questions
- Take note of inventory levels
Cleaning Tasks

- Wiping
- High dusting
- Dusting
- Policing
- Trash removal
Cleaning Tasks

- Dust mopping
- Wet mopping
  - Procedure
  - Type of mops and
- Auto scrubbing, standard floor machine, burnisher
Cleaning Tasks

- Window cleaning
- Polishing
- Clean up
- Cleaning of equipment and tools
- Disinfection
Task Card Program

- Create customized specific task cards for individual needs at accounts.
- Add distributor and end user logos.
- Choose specific chemicals and equipment for tasks to enhance training.
- Available in 8½ x 11 and 11x 17 outputs.
- Bilingual, English & Spanish, to enhance training.
- Use by supervisors for monitoring employee results.
The Custodial Closet

- Store only needed items.
- Limit the number of chemicals and other items to a minimum.
- A place for everything and everything in its place.
- Keep the area clean.
- Inspect on a regular basis.
- Have up to date MSDS information.
Questions?

The job that you do is very important to the image of your facility and to the well-being of the people who come through the doors everyday. Be proud of your profession.