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How Building Design Can Enhance Safety and Security

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This webinar will explore design concepts that promote safe and secure environments as well as the importance of a community-driven design process. Presenters will provide practical solutions around these concepts for both new and renovated building projects and will encourage participants to engage by asking questions and sharing ideas throughout.

Learning Objectives

1. Examine educational spaces and how safety and security measures can impact the environment where students learn.
2. Describe how concern for student safety and security is driving the need to redefine and reconfigure educational facilities.
3. Apply practical solutions, techniques, and strategies to plan and design safe and secure learning environments.
4. Define and explain what is required to make new and renovated educational facilities safe and secure while also embracing changes to educational delivery models and taking into consideration quality of spaces for occupants.

Safe and Secure Schools, How Do We Get There?



Chris Gibbs



Matt Helgersen

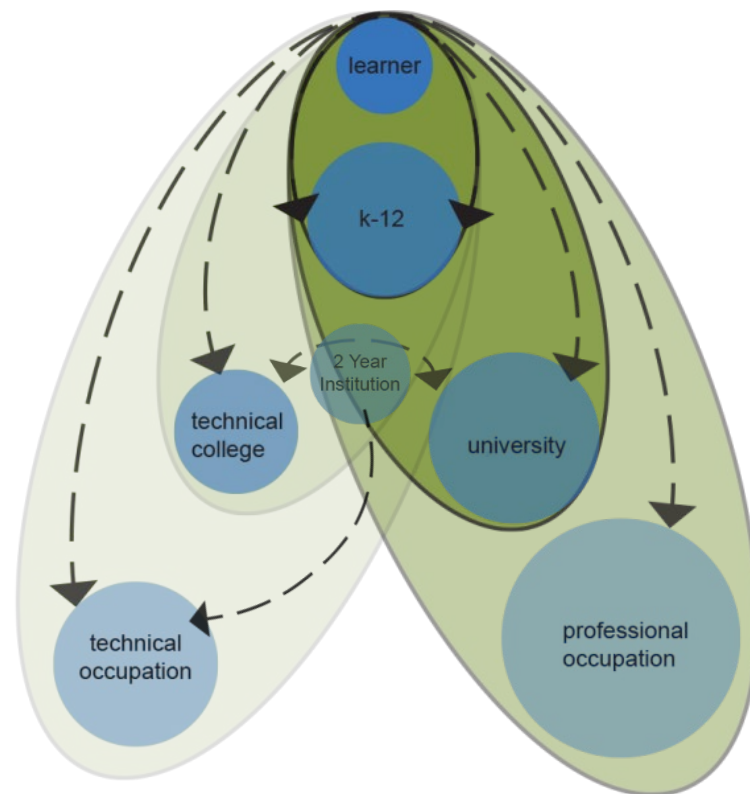
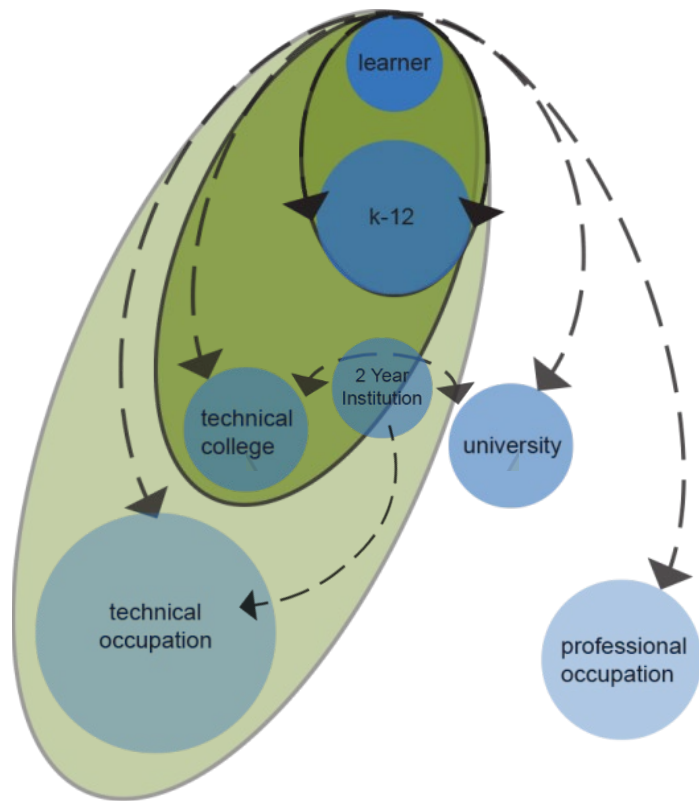


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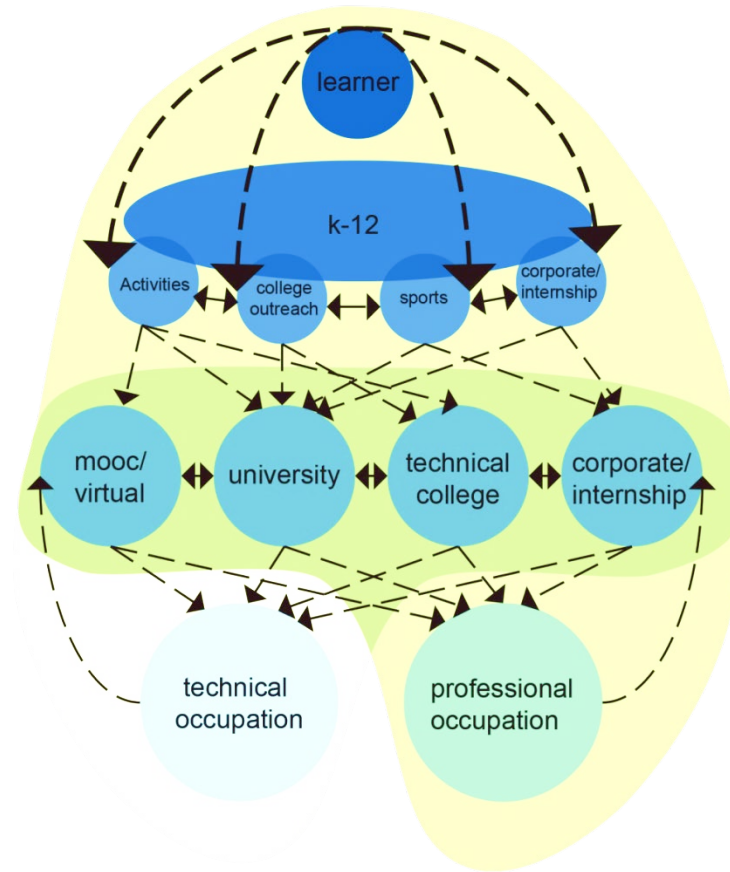
Agenda

- The Tension
- A Framework
- Alignment
- Result
- Stories and Examples
- Discussion

The Tension



TRADITIONAL PATHWAYS



MULTIDIRECTIONAL



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how?



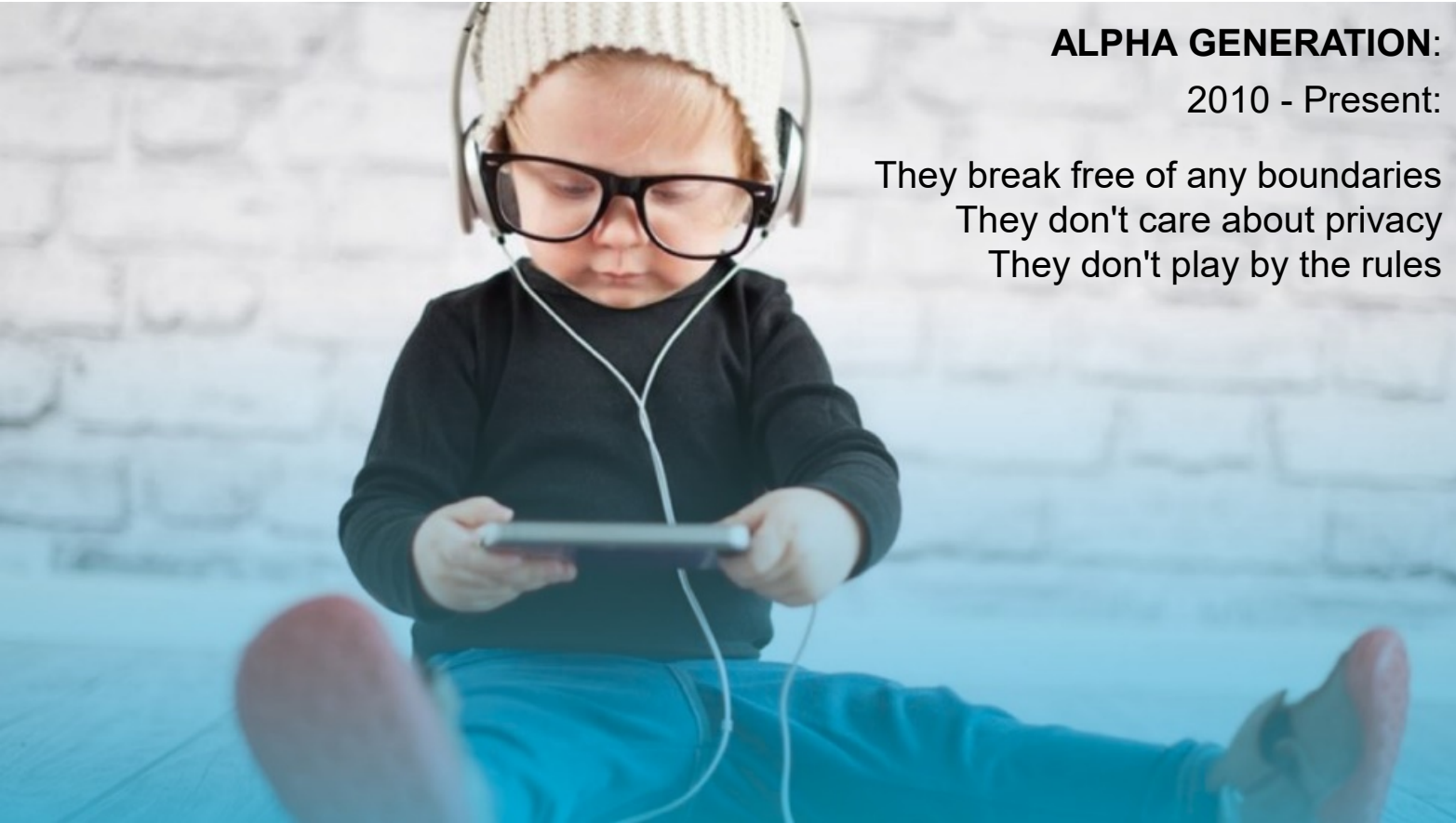
how often?

SCHEDULE



where?

DIFFERENTLY



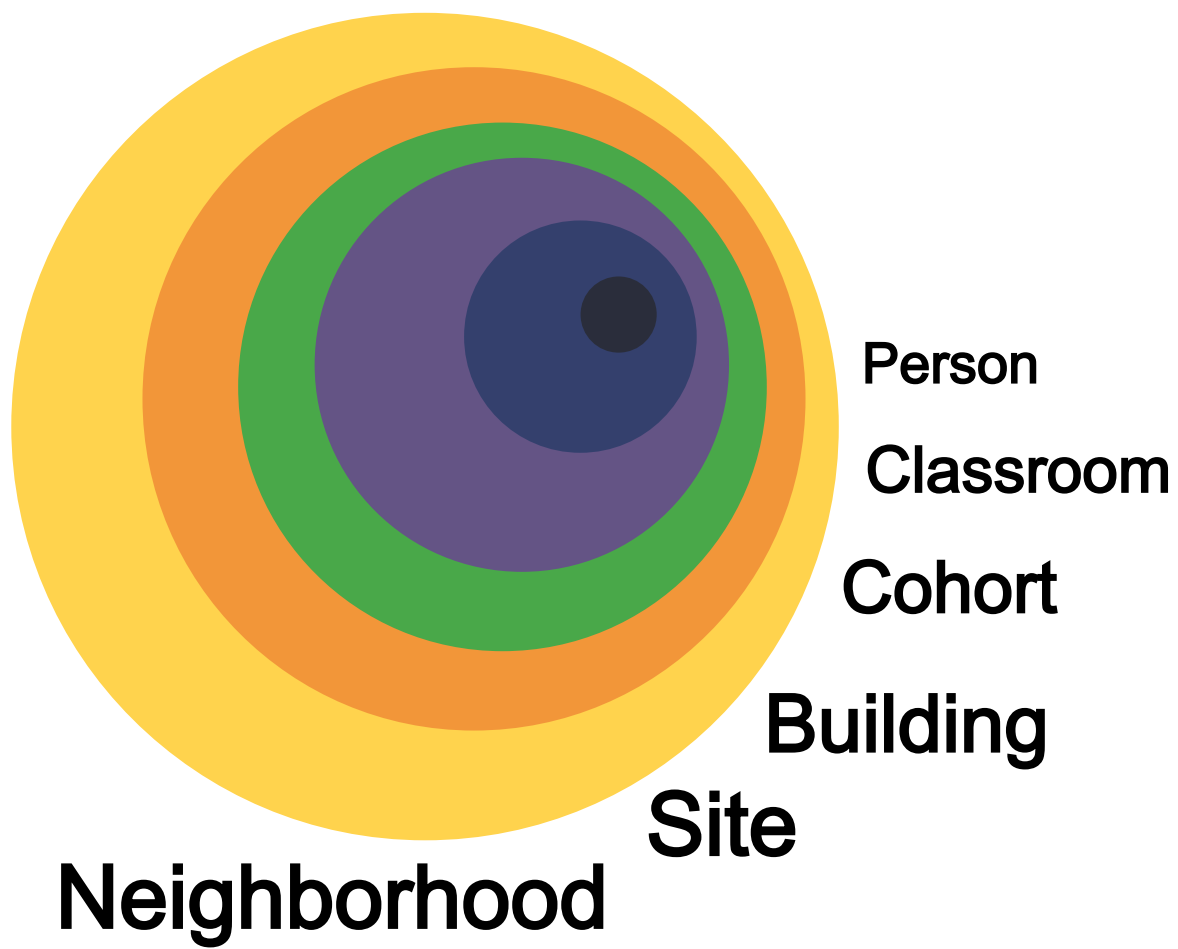
ALPHA GENERATION:

2010 - Present:

They break free of any boundaries
They don't care about privacy
They don't play by the rules

The Framework

Human Connection
Environment
Technology



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The Framework

Human Connection





Students + Teachers Connecting

Positive student-student and student-teacher relationships help learners develop connectedness and a sense of belonging.

- Inquiry-based learning
- Critical thinking
- Community involvement
- Flexibility
- Personalization
- Technology-rich
- Collaborative

Cultural Responsiveness & Mutual Respect

risk-free
environment



empathy



appreciation



Cultural Competence

Personal Relevance

Personalized Learning



Health and Well-being



The Framework

Environment



Zones of Security



Scale of Agility for Personalized Learning

level 1

low flexibility



level 5

variety of space types
and student commons



level 10

student advisory model
and studio environment





Biophilic Design

- Lower blood pressure and stress hormones
- Improved physical health, including sleep patterns, heart rate, and even dental decay
- Improved teacher mental restoration leading to increased retention

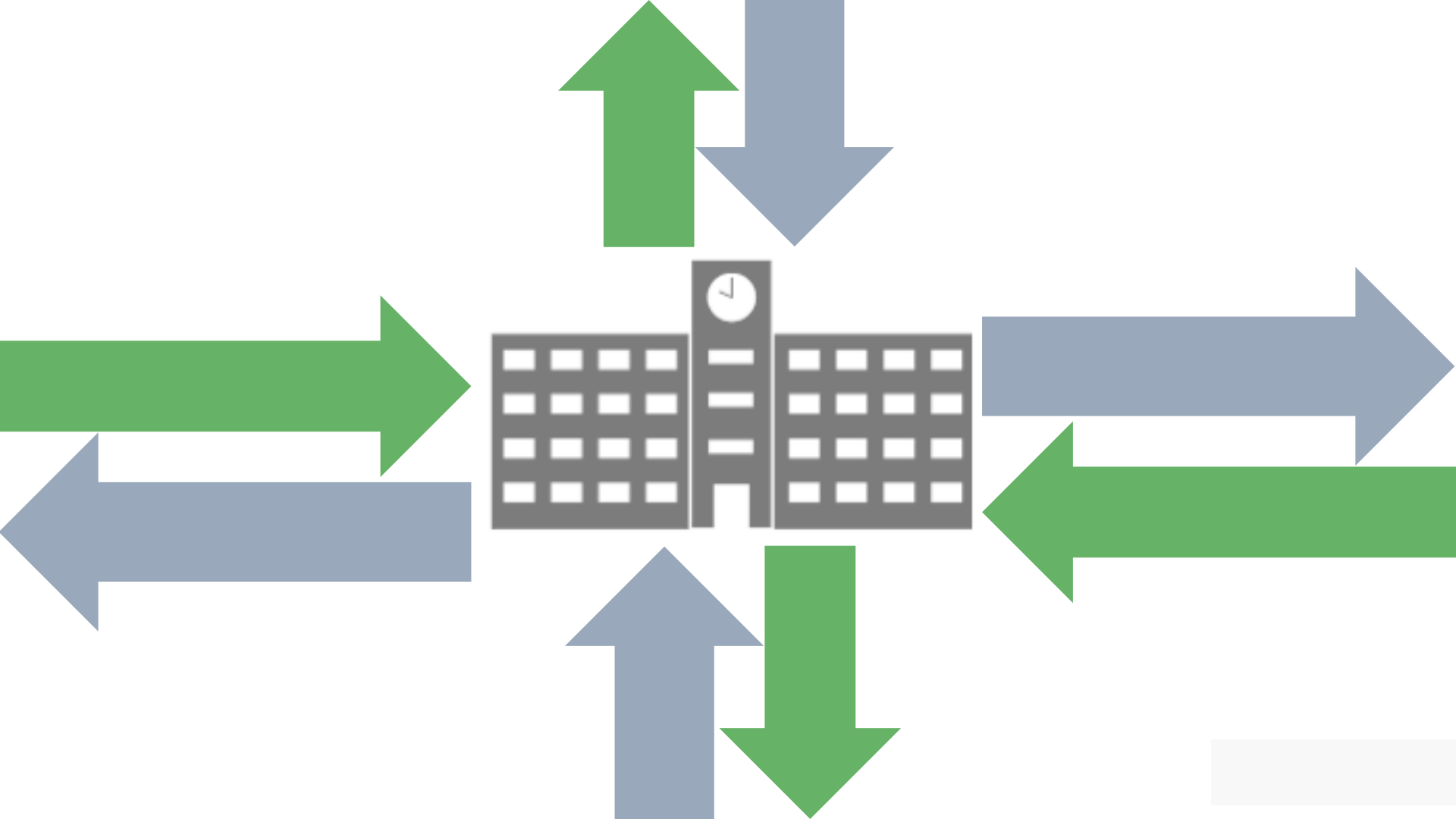
Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design

CPTED

Design principles that deter crime by influencing offender decisions preceding bad behavior or criminal acts.

Areas of Focus:

1. Surveillance
2. Territorial Reinforcement
3. Access Control



The Framework

Technology



Digital dossier

Social media

Bullying

Superficial relationships

Technology's Influence Human Interaction





Environment + Technology

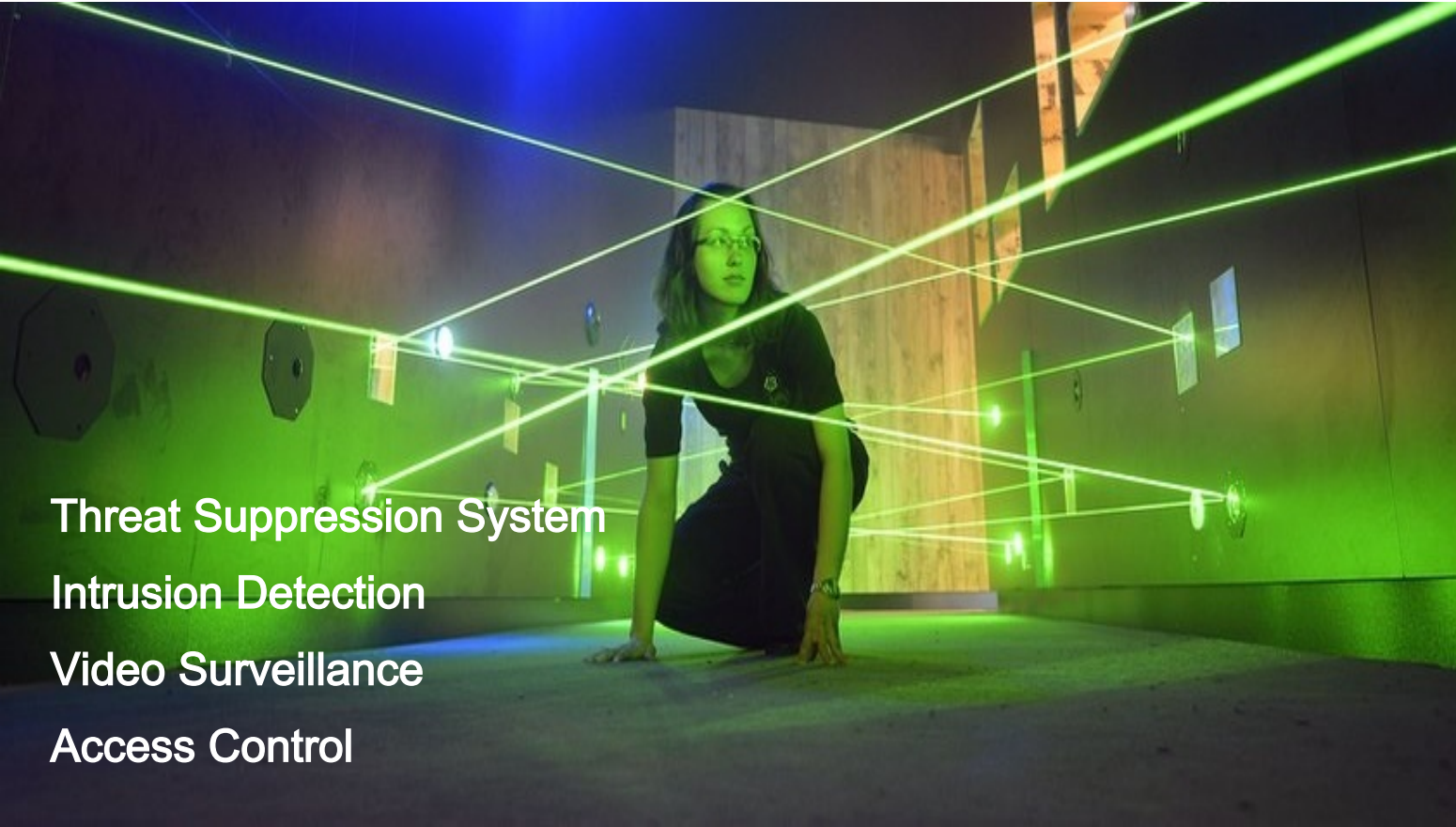
Tried and true design
elements for safety:
toolkit to prevent daily
threats and crime.



Visitor Management

- Reception door release and intercom
- Visitor check-in and badging – positive identification linked to police database for known offenders
- Classroom lockdown system for sheltering in place
- Duress alarms (panic buttons) – sometimes also in classrooms

Technology Considerations



Threat Suppression System

Intrusion Detection

Video Surveillance

Access Control

Notifications + Alerts

- Campus notifications
- Links to police and first responders
- School emergency and crisis management software
- Text alerts and calls to students, staff, parents
- Updates on scenario directions
- Anonymous alert and tip system
- Phones in classrooms
- Shelter in place protocol











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Alignment

Process
Policies

How to Begin



Planning Process

To improve safety
and security in your
school campus

What is a Trauma-Informed School?



It **REALIZES** the prevalence and impact of trauma



It **RECOGNIZES** signs of trauma and the need for learning support



It **RESPONDS** to trauma with developmentally-appropriate support to enhance student success



It **INTEGRATES** principles of trauma-informed care into classroom practices, and responds to student and staff needs

The New Way Active Planning with Key Partners



Best Practices and Standards: The Four Phases of Emergency Management



- ☐ “**All Hazards**” approach
- ☐ Developed collaboratively with community partners
- ☐ Based upon sound data and information
- ☐ Practiced on a regular basis
- ☐ Continually reviewed and updated
- ☐ Living documents
- ☐ Command structure (NIMS)
- ☐ Tailored to conditions of individual buildings
- ☐ Address all four phases of emergency management
- ☐ Include a threat assessment process



Planning Starts **Early**

- Professional assessments of property and procedures – review deficiencies in current plan and equipment
- Anti-bullying and counseling, “see something – say something” – controlling the active shooter scenario before it starts!
- Check offender database
- Proper school communication backbone
- Document protocols for action and events
- Design to accommodate technology within aesthetics

Prevention and Mitigation

Taking steps now to prevent or reduce incidents and exposure to damage

- Safety audit to identify critical issues and improve safety
- Safety team meeting to assess current status of planning
- Review and revise established Emergency Management Plan
- Use Safety First concepts
 - CPTED– Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design; discussion with District's architect (ingress/egress, lighting, card key access, etc.)

Policies + Procedures Benefit ALL

ALICE

ALERT

LOCKDOWN

INFORM

COUNTER

EVACUATE

1. Assess district's risk and needs
2. Audit existing security infrastructure and performance
3. Understand applicable guidelines, requirements, and legislation
4. Develop an Emergency Crisis Management Plan (including policies, procedures, and communication plan)
5. Train, train, train: first responders, students, teachers, staff, parents, and community

Comprehensive School Safety Guide



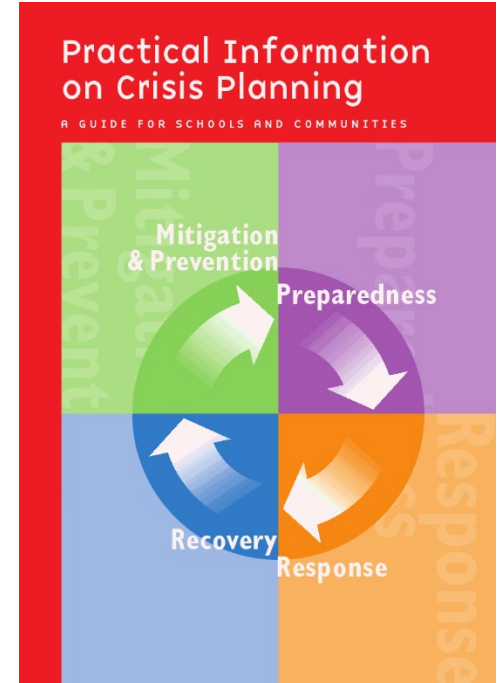
- Homeland Security and Emergency Management, *Keeping Minnesota Ready*
https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/hsem/mn_school-safety-center/Documents/Comprehensive%20School%20Safety%20Guide.pdf
- Intended for district teams and partners developing or revising emergency management plans
- “General guidelines based on local, state and national best practices”
- Procedures should be customized to fit specific building sites and local emergency response protocol

Self-Assessment Checklist

CRITERION	YES	NO	NOT ✓	N/A	FURTHER STUDY	COMMENTS
THE EMERGENCY PLAN						
1. Multi-hazard in nature within the emergency management model of <i>Prevention, Preparedness, Response and Recovery</i> .						
2. District articulates a strategic vision, mission and methodology for response agencies.						
3. District's plan is then developed in collaboration with community stakeholders and response agencies.						
4. Plan identifies designees (ideally three) who will direct emergency response in the absence of the administrator.						
5. Plan is reviewed and updated on a regular basis.						
6. Plan includes specific procedures and accommodations for students with special needs and/or English Language Learners (ELLs).						
7. Plan uses common vocabulary for all school stakeholders and emergency responders.						
8. Plan includes after-school activities.						
9. Plan includes an Incident Command System (ICS) and describes school emergency response teams.						
10. Plan includes a threat assessment process.						
11. Plan includes the following <i>required</i> universal procedures:						
a. lockdown						
b. evacuation						
c. severe weather shelter						
12. Plan includes the following <i>suggested</i> universal procedures:						
a. shelter-in-place						
b. reunification						
13. Plan includes emergency procedures specific to a variety of potential incidents, e.g. bomb threats, fights, intruders, hazardous materials.						

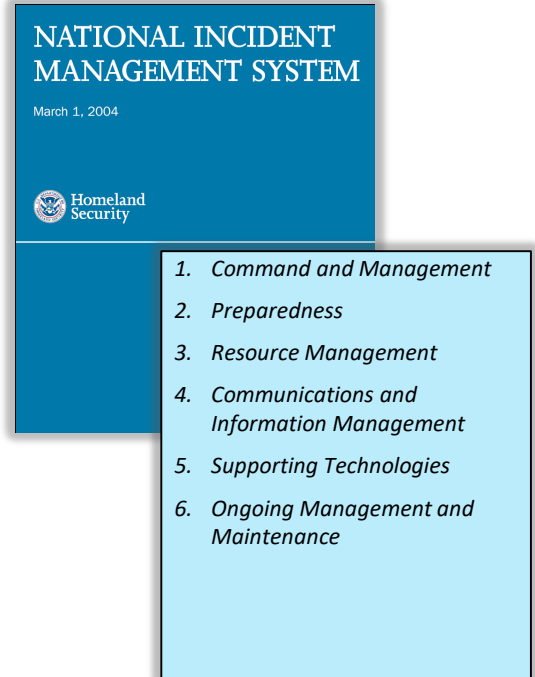
Key Elements of Emergency Management Plans

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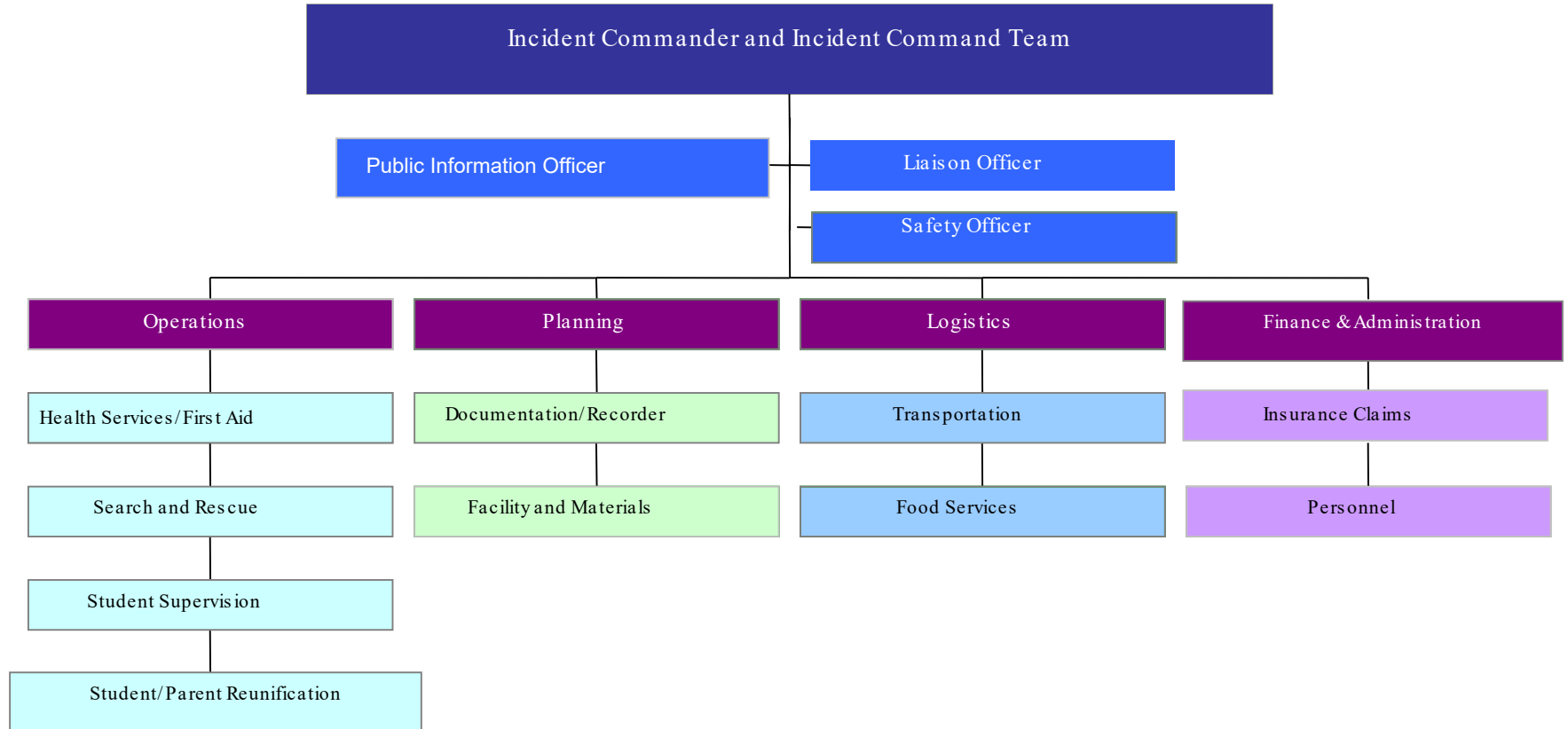


Preparedness: National Incident Management System (NIMS)

- Comprehensive, national approach to incident management; applicable at all jurisdictional levels and across all disciplines
- Local education agencies receiving federal grant funding must support NIMS
- Includes an **Incident Command System** (“ICS”): Standardized, on scene, all-hazard incident management concept using Best Practices to facilitate an integrated, organizational structure to match the complexities and demands of single or multiple incidents without being hindered by jurisdictional boundaries. ICS helps ensure the safety of responders and others, achievement of tactical objectives and the efficient use of resources



Sample of a School-Based Incident Command System





Event **Response**

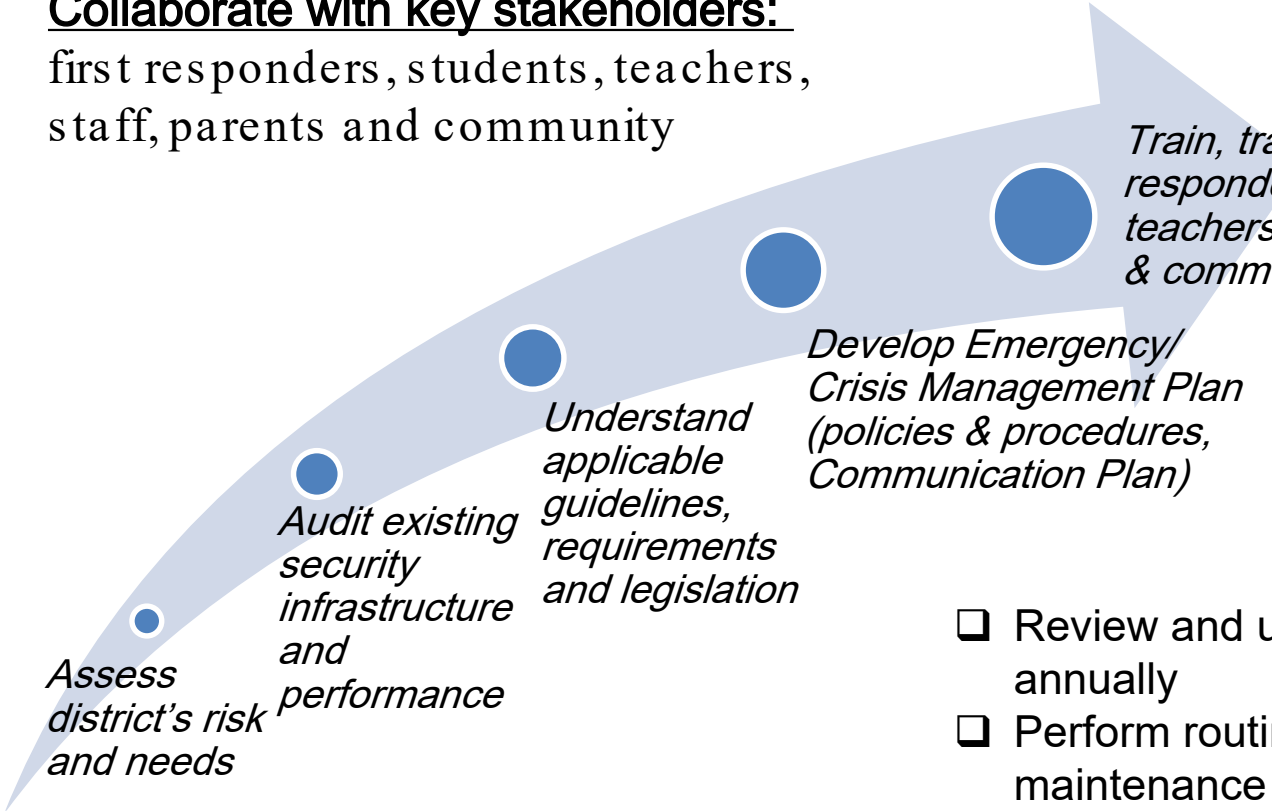
Key Messages of NFPA 3000:

- Practice lockdown procedures
- Design for an accessible “cool zone” on campus for emergency responders and triage
- Doors within path of egress are required to meet NFPA 101 for operational ease
- Classrooms should lock from inside, or controlled electronically from a central location

Key Take-Aways

Collaborate with key stakeholders:

first responders, students, teachers, staff, parents and community



Assess district's risk and needs

Audit existing security infrastructure and performance

Understand applicable guidelines, requirements and legislation

Develop Emergency/Crisis Management Plan (policies & procedures, Communication Plan)

Train, train, train: first responders, students, teachers, staff, parents & community

- ☐ Review and update plan annually
- ☐ Perform routine annual maintenance & testing of security infrastructure



The Result

Relational Safety Framework

Relational Safety



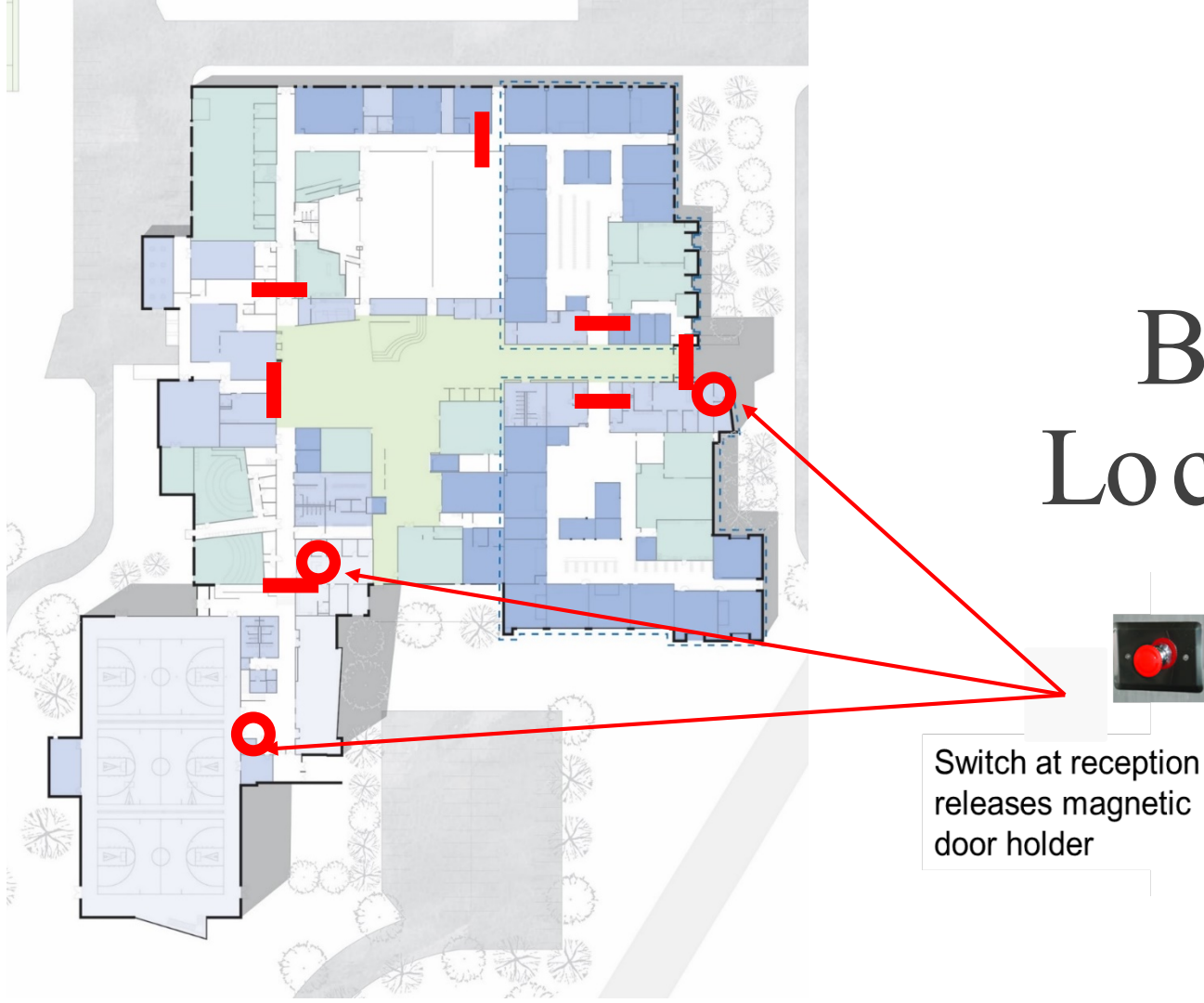
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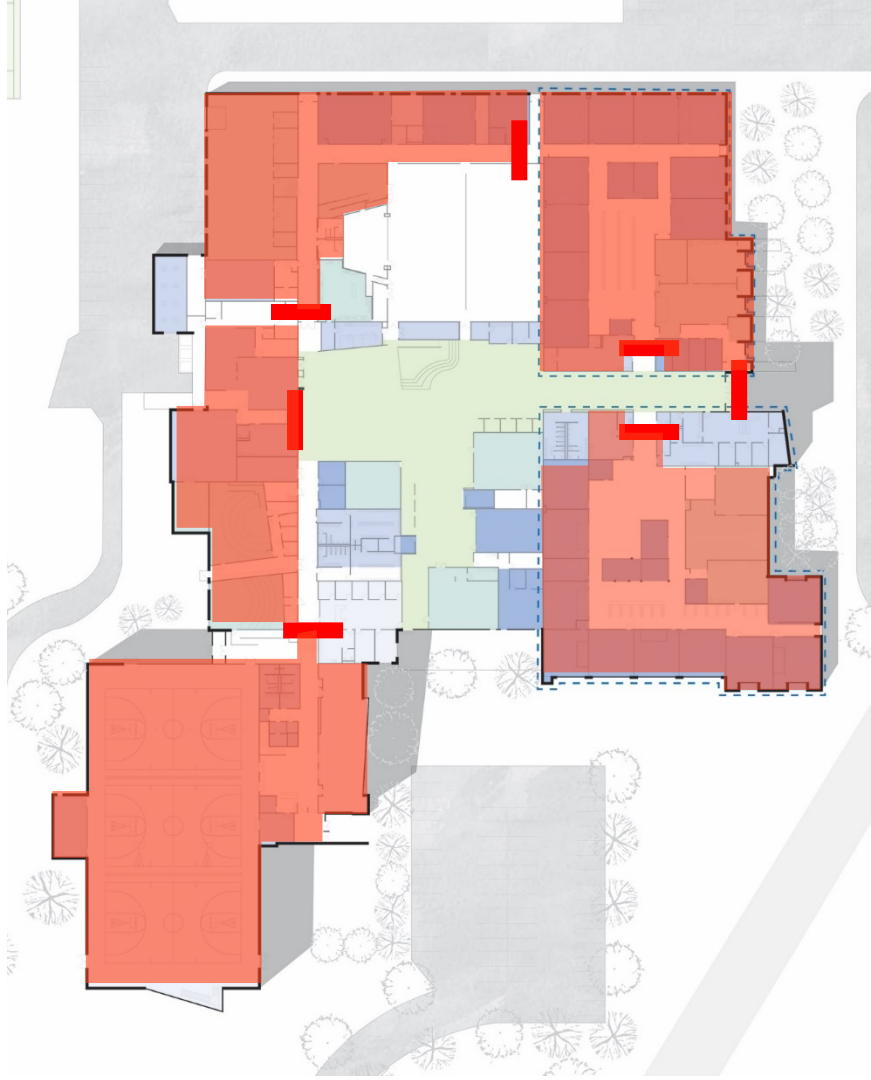
Infrastructure

Educational Space Design

Communication

Building Lockdown





Building Zoning

Interior Sight Lines



Spaces for School Community



Spaces for School Community



Spaces for School Community



Supergraphics for Wayfinding + Responders



Parent University



Designing for Parent Involvement



- Welcoming climate
- Connect community resources to support student learning and well-being
- Child development support
- Support and extend children's learning in home and community
- Meaningful participation opportunities
- Establish school-to-home and home-to-school communication

Communication Strategies

- Story telling.....early and often
- Admit your mistakes
- Multi-layered
 - From School Board
 - From Administration
 - From teachers
 - Through students



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It Takes a Village





it takes a

VILLAGE

Resources

School Safety and Security Resources

- ❑ Ohio Attorney General – School Safety Task Force
<https://www.ohioattorneygeneral.gov/State-and-Local-Government/Schools/School-Safety-Task-Force>
- ❑ Ohio Department of Public Safety – Ohio School Safety Center
https://publicsafety.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/odps/what-we-do/our-programs-new/safer_schools_ohio
- ❑ Ohio Facilities Construction Commission – School Security Resources
<https://ofcc.ohio.gov/Services-Programs/K-12-Schools/School-Security-Resources>
- ❑ U.S. Department of Homeland Security www.ready.gov/business/index.html
- ❑ U.S. Department of Education Office of Safe and Healthy Students
<http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/oese/oshs/index.html>
- ❑ FEMA www.fema.gov/areyouready/basic_preparedness.shtm

School Safety and Security Resources

- ❑ U.S. Department of Education Emergency Planning Web site
www.ed.gov/emergencyplan
- ❑ Emergency Response and Crisis Management Technical Assistance (TA) Center www.ercm.org
- ❑ Practical Information on Crisis Planning
www.ed.gov/admins/lead/safety/emergencyplan/crisisplanning.pdf
- ❑ U.S. Department of Education. “Emergency Exercises: An Effective Way to Validate School Safety Plans,” ERCM Express Newsletter, Vol.2, Issue 3, (2006)
http://rems.ed.gov/views/documents/Emergency_NewsletterV213.pdf
- ❑ U.S. Department of Education. A Guide to Vulnerability Assessments: Key Principles for Safe Schools. (2008) <http://www.ed.gov/emergencyplan>
- ❑ U.S. Department of Education Action Guide for Institutions of Higher Learning
http://rems.ed.gov/docs/REMS_ActionGuide.pdf

School Safe Design Resources

- International CPTED Association
<http://www.cpted.net/>



- CPTED Training
<http://www.cptedtraining.net/>



- Dept. of Homeland Security – School Safety
<http://www.dhs.gov/school-safety>
- Dept. of Homeland Security – Run! Hide! Fight! Video
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p4lJA5Zpzz4>



Grant Funding

- Ohio Attorney General
[https://www.ohioattorneygeneral.gov/Files/Government - Entities/Schools/School - Safety-Training-Grant.aspx](https://www.ohioattorneygeneral.gov/Files/Government%20Entities/Schools/School%20Safety-Training-Grant.aspx)
- School security grants: www.grants.gov
- FEMA's Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) can be used for planning, purchasing equipment, training, and other efforts to support school security.
[http://www.fema.gov/fy -2013-homeland-security -grant-program -hsgp-0](http://www.fema.gov/fy%202013-homeland-security-grant-program-hsgp-0)

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