

## MILAN CENTER FOR INNOVATIVE STUDIES, MILAN, MI

The Milan Center for Innovative Studies is an award-winning, project-based learning academy at Milan High School in Milan, Michigan. The client wanted a new type of space to support its fledging project-based learning program. The design integrates technology into the very fabric of the building, providing the ideal space for making, prototyping, testing, exploring and creating multimedia content. Hailed by one awards jury as, "What 21st Century learning is all about," the school includes:



- LearnLabs with multiple video monitors support omni-directional instruction
- Science labs with cameras and display monitors that allow students to see what is happening on the demonstration table or inside the fume hood
- Design labs with modern workstations, plotters and display walls for student-produced videos



## PRINCETON MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL, CINCINNATI, OH

Princeton City Schools wanted a future-ready building with the latest tools for personalized learning. The design uses technology to establish a series of differentiated environments to meet any need a student might have.

- Technology Hubs support small group meeting for 8-12 students and include charging stations, circular bend/booth seating and moveable seating
- Think Tanks act as breakout rooms for groups of 10-15 students and include full technology capabilities
- Flexible Studios seat 60 students for presentations, reports and guest speakers. The studios have technology capabilities for classroom-level technology, as well as large group presentations.





## COLUMBIA CITY HIGH SCHOOL, COLUMBIA, CITY, IN

Whitley County Consolidated School corporation wanted a new 275,000-square-foot high school with the latest in safety and security features. Our team collaborated with national school security consultant Michael Dorn to design a school that combines advanced safety and security features with innovative learning environments. Safety and security strategies include:

- Smaller schools-within-a-school to increase supervision
- Transparency in academic neighborhoods
- Decentralizing some administrative space to foster connections
- A central access control point
- Security/safety peer review of the initial design

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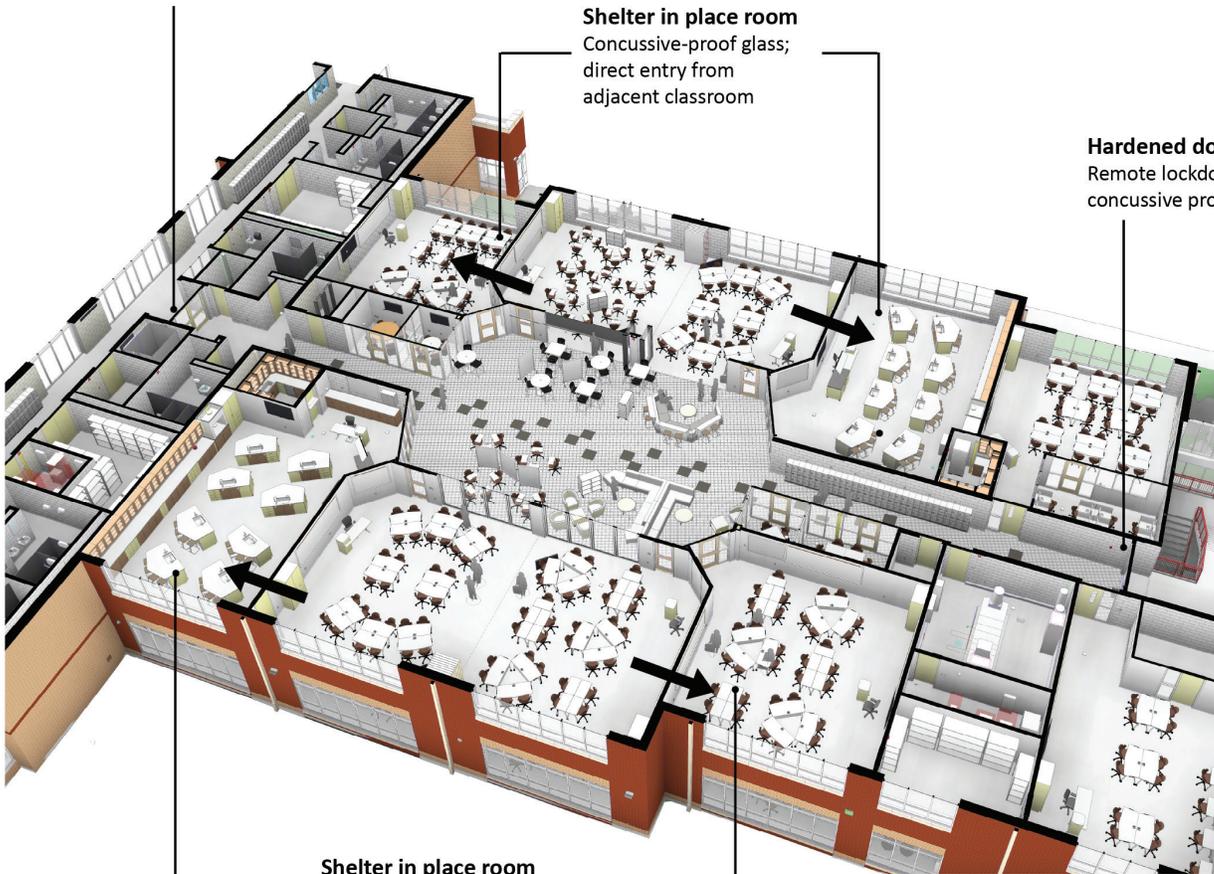
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