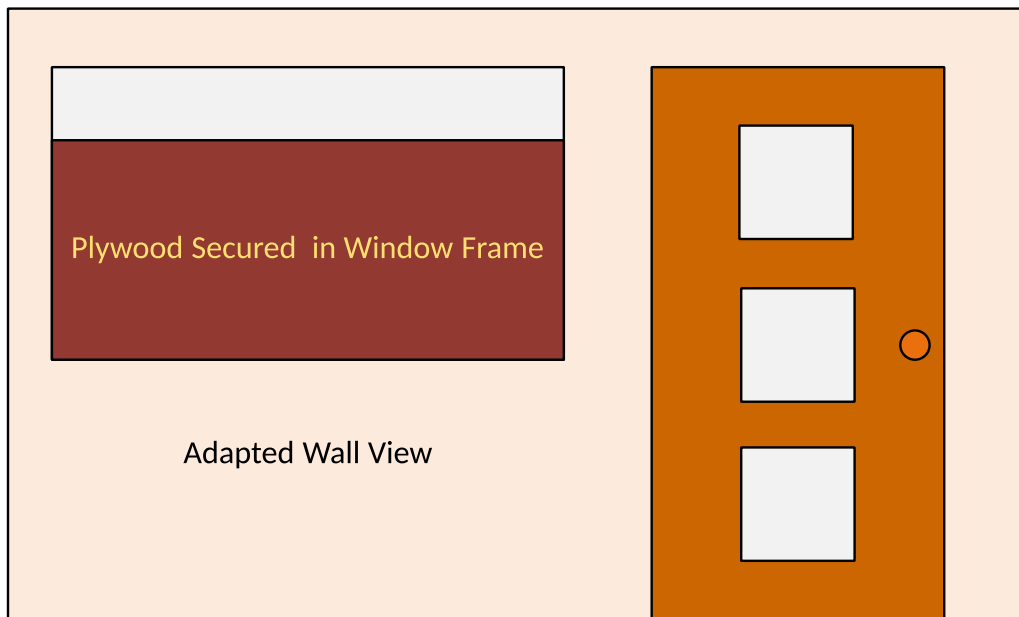
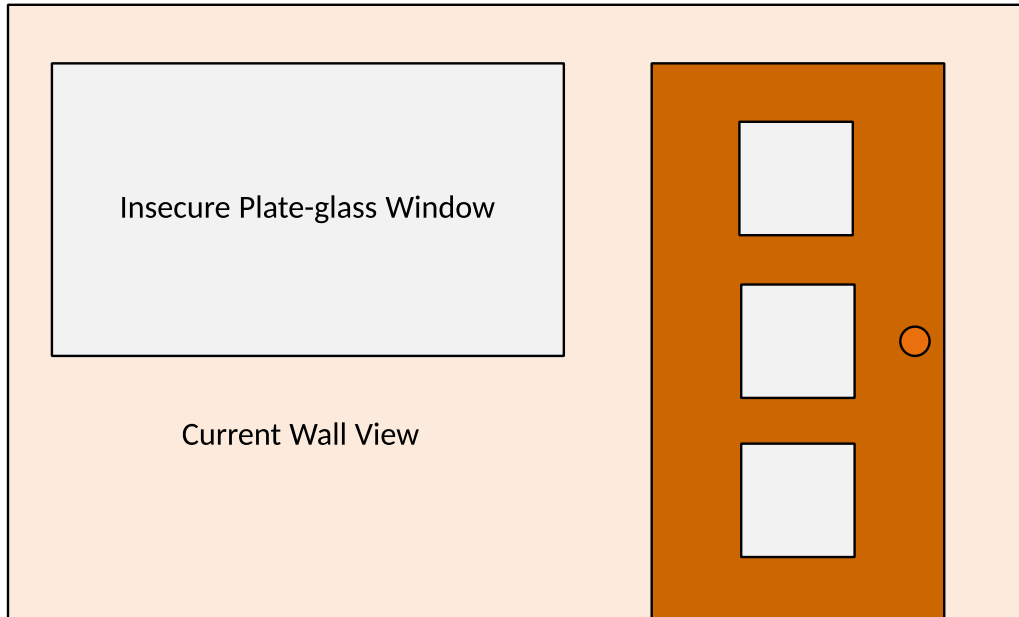


Plate-glass Window Adaptation Recommendations



Action Recommendations

Issue: A classroom or classrooms in this school have large non-mesh like class plate-glass windows. These windows are found on interior hallways to classrooms. In an armed intruder incident, lockdown protective actions provide little defense for the actor can easily break the glass and gain access to students and staff taking refuge in the classroom.

Issue Assumption: Replacement of plate-glass windows with wire-mesh glass; or applying shatter resistant film, screens, or grates is not practical.

Practical Security Enhancement Actions: Intrusion into classrooms by large plate-glass window may be reduced by cutting and filling the existing metal window frame with thick (~ $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch) plywood. The plywood should fill most of the window frame leaving no more than 8-inches gap at top. Plywood should be well secured to the window frame. The window facing side of the plywood may be painted. The classroom side of the plywood may be painted or covered with padding and cloth to be used as a bulletin board.

Action Limitations: These recommendations are designed to delay forced entry into the classroom. This adaptation will not prevent or protect from all force and is not designed to provide direct cover protection from gunfire.