

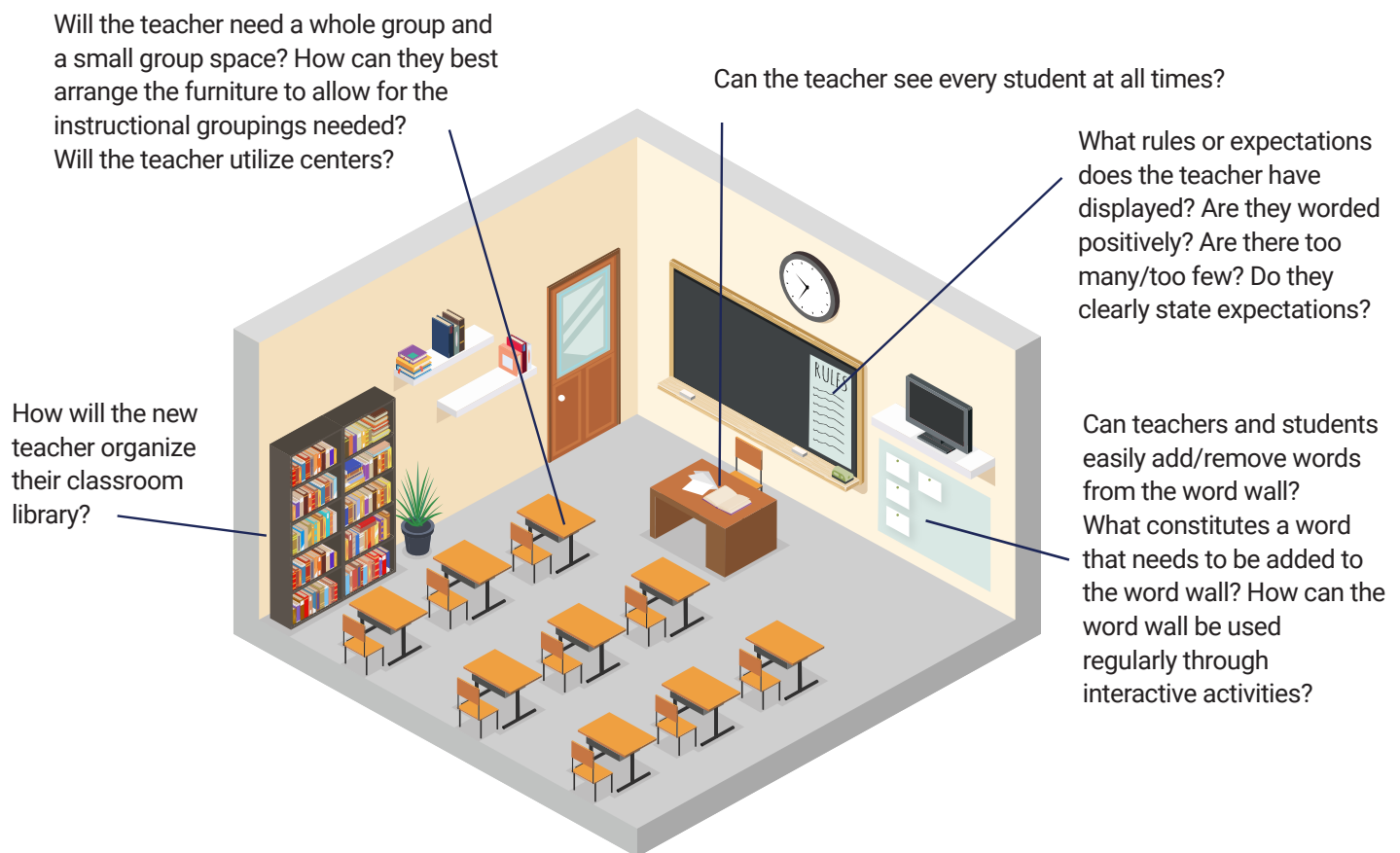


CREATING A POSITIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

Classroom Design With A Purpose In Mind

One's classroom or assigned space should be designed and established with instructional and functional purpose. Before school starts, if possible, mentors should discuss with mentees the mentees' plans for classroom setup, including design of the physical space, classroom rules/expectations, important routines, and use of wall space.

Some considerations regarding classroom setup include the following:



Other Things To Consider:

- What routines will the teacher be sure to explicitly teach at the beginning of the school year (and then practice until mastery)?
- What positive behavior practices will the teacher employ? How will the new teacher explicitly teach desired behaviors?
- What culturally responsive teaching practices will the teacher be sure to implement and incorporate into their practice?
- Discuss ways the new teacher display student data. (Be mindful of FERPA.)

