

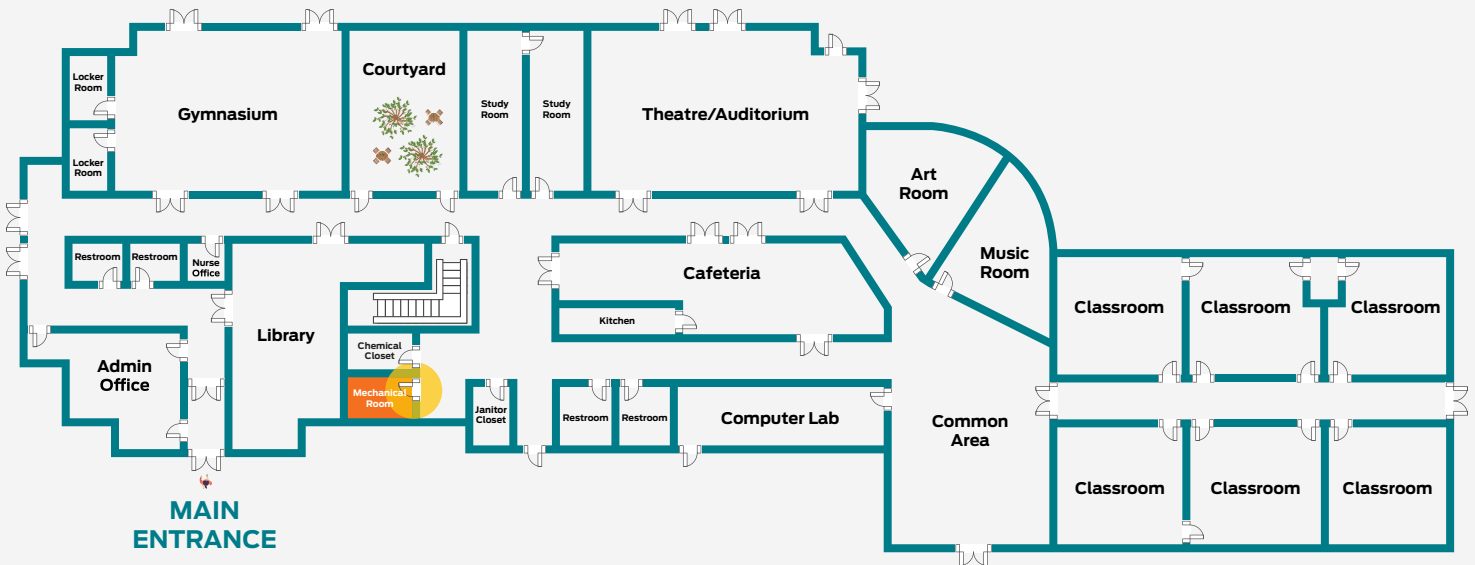
# Mechanical/ Maintenance Areas

These security tips are for areas such as custodial, boiler, electrical, mechanical, and riser rooms.

 Learn best practices to secure this opening.



## Locate this opening:



## Operational requirements:



Doors should **always be locked and closed**



Access is gained by a **valid credential or key**



Free egress is **always available**



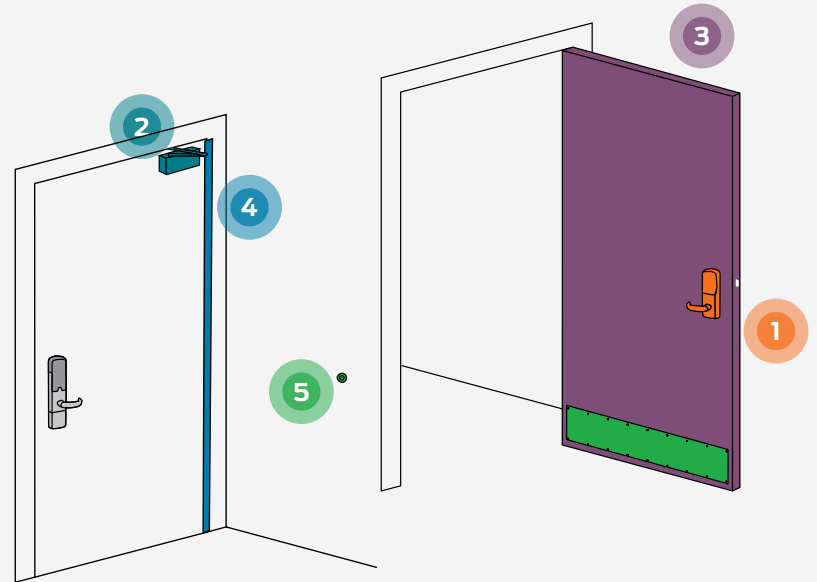
If doors are required to be fire rated, they must **comply with NFPA80**



## Recommended products:

Here are some key components to securing mechanical/maintenance areas in schools.

For full solutions, specifications and recommendations, **contact us**.



## Electronic Access Control

Electronic access control allows staff to use their badge or other credential to easily access these always locked areas. It also allows for instantly issuing or deactivating cards and provides an audit trail of who accessed the space and when.

1



Wireless **electronic lock with storeroom function** (always locked but always has free egress) provides improved access control and ability to track who entered the area and when with smart card or another credential. Or, use a mortise or cylindrical lock with storeroom function and restricted, patented key system.

2



**Delayed action closer** to provide time to remove items before the door returns to a closed, latched and secure position.

3



Consider **steel doors and frames** for higher levels of security, durability, and stronger lock reinforcements. Steel doors may have built-in conduit raceways to make wiring for access control easier.

4



**Continuous hinges** and **armor plates** are recommended for doors that encounter abuse and are frequently propped open to prevent cracked hinges.

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A **doorstop and/or kick plate** is recommended to prevent damage to the wall when moving things in and out of the room.

### Note:

Some areas are classified as hazardous areas, and have additional code requirements. Check the building codes to confirm if any of these types of doors in your building requires an exit device.

## Security tips for mechanical/maintenance areas:

- Only authorized personnel should have access to these areas.



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