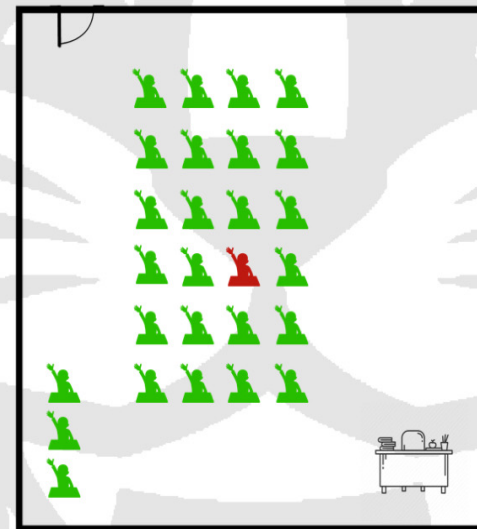
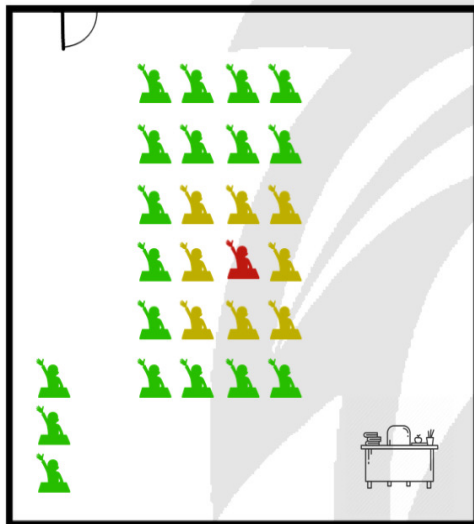


# How Masks Minimize Student Exclusion from School

- No Close Contact ( Remain in School)
- Positive Case
- Close Contact, High Risk (Exclusion)

**WITHOUT** masks **9** students (if unvaccinated) are excluded from school- 1 positive case and 8 close contacts.

**WITH** masks, only **1** student is excluded from school as a positive case.



Note:

\* Not all classrooms are set up like this, but the identification of close contacts in any space remains the same.

\* Close contact and quarantine protocol are defined by the CDC and Tennessee Department of Health.

