



## HOW THE PHYSICAL SPACE CAN AFFECT BEHAVIOR

**Activity overview:** Participants examine the relationship between the physical environment and behavior, then brainstorm possible changes to the space that address challenges.

**Directions:** In the left column, participants brainstorm a list of behavior challenges that relate to space. In the middle column, explain how the physical space might contribute to that behavior. Finally in the right column, record ways that changes could be made to the environment to address the behavior challenge.

Behavior challenges	Tie to the physical space	Change to address challenge
Running	Large open spaces in the classroom without physical barriers	Break up the long expanses with turns and furniture.