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STUDENT
DESIGN
COMPETITION
Clarifying Questions



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Thank you for reading our 2026 IIDA Student Design Competition Questions and Answers document.

In addition to providing answers to the questions below, we also wanted to remind students that we have published the 2025 IIDA Student Design Competition winners to help you better understand what a jury is looking for when selecting winners.

Some of these include: clarity in design solutions, innovation, and designing with dignity. Jurors also appreciate and heavily consider the written statement provided in the design submission.

If you have any additional questions, please reach out to students@IIDA.org.

FLOORPLAN QUESTIONS

1. Are separate entrances for administrative personnel, healthcare staff, and/or patients required?

No, separate entrances are not required.

2. Are there elevation views available to show the height and style of the windows and doors?

There are no elevation views. The windowsill height is 36 inches above finished floor (AFF), and the overall window height is 60 inches.

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