How to Implement a Secure Campus

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Five Strategic Objectives for Comprehensive Security

Strategy – Doing the right things

- Risk Management
- Infrastructure
- People and Processes
- Effective Security Mechanisms
- Awareness

Three Tactical Objectives to Meet Strategic Goals

Tactical – Doing things right

- Technical
- Administrative
- Physical

Secure by Design

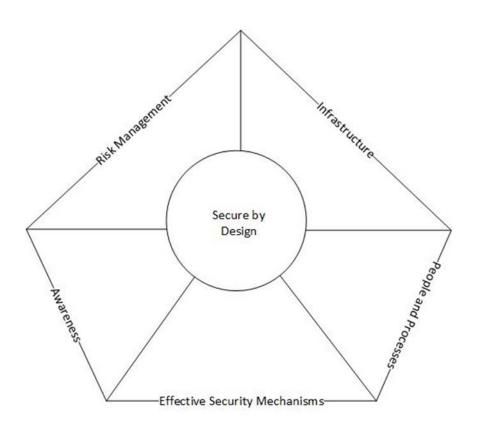


Comprehensive Security is the sum of its parts. The objective is to be secure by design.



Secure by Design





360 degree field of view



Identify - Protect - Detect - Respond - Recover



Security objective #1: Enterprise Risk Management

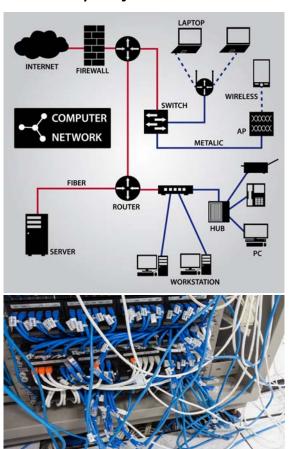


- What needs protecting and how much protection is needed?
- Cost benefit/Total Cost of Ownership
- Protect the brand
- Protect customers/students/staff
- Avoid legal and financial problems

Devil in the Details



Security objective #2: Infrastructure



- Physical and logical design.
- The simpler the better. Complexity adds risk.
- Simple but allows for efficient application of security controls, management, and the effective application of security tools.
- What needs protecting and how much protection is needed?
- Detailed diagrams and maps.
- Environmental and Physical controls
- Cable Plant



Security objective #3: People and Processes that Oversee the Network.



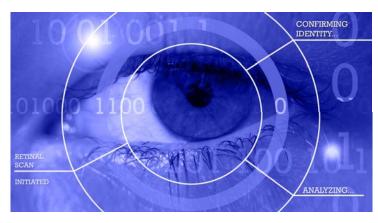
- Develop cybersecurity culture
- Train techs, admins, and users to recognize threats
- Response plans
- Continuity of operations
- Change Management
- Backup/restoration/failover/patching/updates



Security Objective #4: Effective Use of Network Security Mechanisms



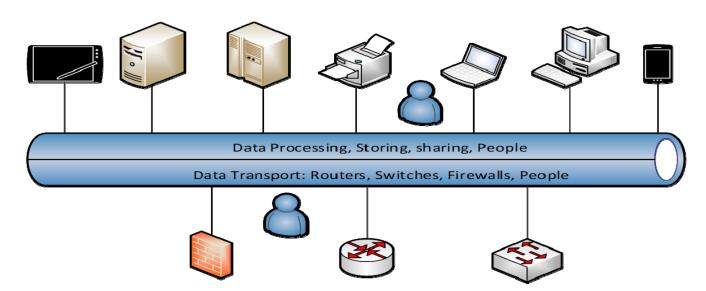
- Are security tools being fully utilized?
- No point in scanning if actions aren't being taken.
- What data points can be used as indicators (trend analysis/baselining)
- Protect outside in and inside out.





Security Objective #5: Awareness

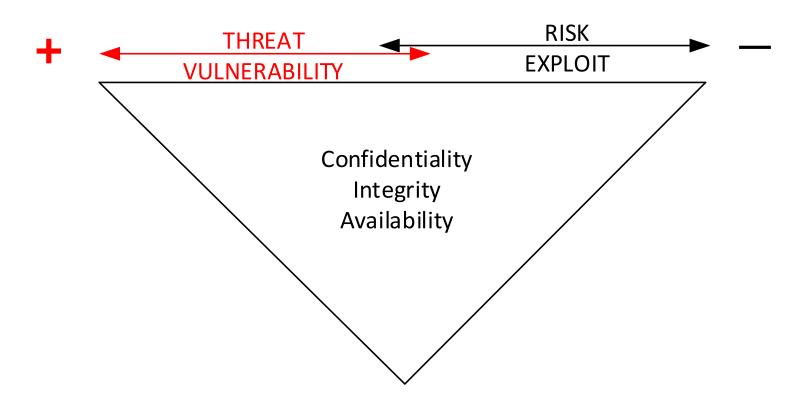
- As part of the "system" general user awareness is an important component of information security.
- Be aware of threat vectors.
- Be aware of potential vulnerabilities.
- Social engineering education.







Balance

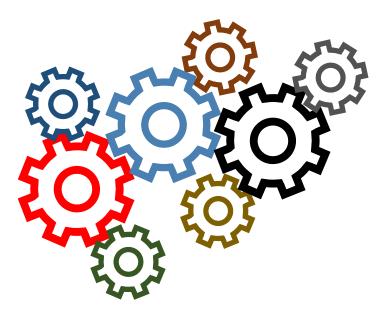


How Do I Implement A Secure Campus



Achieve strategic objectives through relevant tactics.

- Technical
- Administrative
- Physical





You can have a well designed network and poor security but you cannot have a poorly designed network and good security.



Design

- Poor design equals poor security
- Marginalizes the effectiveness of security investments

Routers/Switches

- IOS Security
- Access Security
- Network Services
- ACLs, Filtering, and Rate Limiting
- Routing Protocols
- Audit and Management

Technical



"Prevention is ideal, but detection is a must. However, detection without response has little value"

Servers

- Operating Systems
- Patches
- Disk Space
- Services
- Accounts
- Logging
- Software/Hardware Inventory
- Backups

PCs

- Operating Systems
- Patches
- Anti-Virus Protection

Management

- Active Directory Structure
- Group Policy
- Passwords

Administrative



Administrative controls are the policies, procedures, guidelines, and mechanisms in place to enforce and control the human side of things.



- Develop enforceable policies
- Document Processes and procedures
- Document network and system changes
- Separation of duties
- Applicant Screening, Employee Controls, Termination procedures
- User awareness training
- Security training for admins



Collect as much information as you can so that you can establish event correlation.



- Guards, gates
- Locked doors
- Controlled access to equipment rooms
- Surveillance
- Fences
- HVAC



If I was a bad guy, what would I want and how would I get it?

Common sense is relative, develop security sense.

Plan to be impacted by an incident.

Can you spot the hacker?

