

# Cyber Alerts Systems Security & Analysis Program Newsletter





## NCAE Cyber Games

The Collegiate Competition For **FIRST-TIME** COMPETITORS!!!

It is for students who have never participated in a competition before.

Since competitions can be intimidating if you've never tried one before, this program aims to make it easy and fun for students to see how competitions work and learn with others who are also new.

#### WHY SHOULD YOU COMPETE IN CHALLENGES?

If you're thinking about pursuing a career in cybersecurity, participating in cyber competitions provide several benefits:

- •Looks great on your resume.
- •Employers view competitions as proof of hands-on experience and that you can work in a team.
- •Helps you find your place in the field since competitions give you a chance to try out different job roles and tasks.
- Build your network. Employers pay attention to collegiate cyber competitions, often sending recruiters to events to scout new talent. It is also a great way to connect with a network of future professional colleagues.
- •It's fun and you could win prizes and cash!

#### **SIGN UP NOW**

Click here to learn more about it and to and create a user account immediately to access the Sandbox and start learning how cyber competition challenges work and practice beating them. You do not need a team or faculty advisor to start practicing in the Sandbox.

If you would like know more about participating contact:

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**



The Exposition offers an excellent opportunity to learn about the latest advances in technology through an interactive approach with attendees.

Also, for students, it is a great chance to network and make connections to companies you may wish to work with/for one day.

#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

### ISSA Education Foundation Scholarships are now open through June 15th. CSA Grant and SANS Training Scholarship Applications Open Through April 30th

Scholarships include but not limited to:

\$3,500 – Howard A. Schmidt Memorial Scholarship for undergraduate studies

\$3,500 – E. Eugene Schultz, Jr. Memorial Scholarship for graduate studies

**\$2,000** – Shon Harris WIS (Women in Security) Memorial Scholarship for either undergraduate or graduate studies

For more information and to apply: visit <a href="https://issaef.org/scholarships/apply/">https://issaef.org/scholarships/apply/</a>

#### **Microsoft Cybersecurity Scholarship Program**

The Microsoft Cybersecurity Scholarship Program supports community college degree and industry certificate completion through emergency financial assistance (**up to \$500**) and subsidies for cybersecurity certification exam costs.

Assistance available includes:

- •Emergency financial assistance up to \$500 **OR**
- •Subsidies to cover the cost of cybersecurity certification licensing exams up to \$375
- •AND free LinkedIn Premium accounts to help close the networking gap
- •AND access to local GitHub sponsored events and GitHub Education benefits, including the Student Developer Pack

Visit https://www.lastmile-ed.org/microsoftcybersecurityscholarship to apply

#### **FTCC Foundation Scholarships**

Did you know you can complete the General Application and be matched to all of the scholarships you are eligible for? The FTCC Foundation manages more than **120 scholarships** giving students multiple opportunities for assistance with tuition and other educational costs.

\*There is no cost to apply for scholarships. The minimum GPA required to apply for scholarships is 2.0.

Students applications will be accepted now through March 20th for Fall 2023 and Spring 2024.

Visit faytechcc.edu/scholarships for more information.

### **Student Spotlight**

Congratulations to the follow student who has recently obtained the following certification



**Zach Reichel**