Since 2016, there have been more than 1,100 documented cybersecurity related incidents involving U.S. public schools that have required public incident reporting and numerous incidents in Minnesota that have not been reported. Additionally, since 2019, PreK-12 schools have been identified as one of the areas most vulnerable to cybersecurity threats.

With that in mind, the SCSC has developed a comprehensive suite of cybersecurity services utilizing a continuous improvement model that directly supports your current technology staff for the long-haul. The goal of the SCSC Security as a Service program is to implement common sense prevention and mitigation strategies to reduce the day to day risks faced by your district. The Security as a Service program consists of the following two components:

SECURITY RISK ASSESSMENT
The SCSC will conduct a full Security Risk Assessment to identify risks in the areas of administrative, physical, internal and technical controls and vulnerability scans of identified systems. Your assessment results will be used to set objective thresholds for acceptable risk, for decision making, to provide liability defense for cybersecurity insurance, and to meet the MN Government Data Practices Act annual requirements.

CYBERSECURITY PROGRAM PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT
The results of the Security Risk Assessment will form the basis for developing a cybersecurity program specific to your needs and situation, providing you with a detailed common sense roadmap for program development.

COST
Based on the results of the assessment, we’ll recommend a number of days of development and implementation time. Most districts will need about 10 days in the initial year.

Security Risk Assessment: $5,000
Support days (10 days @ $600/day): $6,000
Estimated annual cost: $11,000

Cost of the program will be included as a $916.67 monthly service charge on your SOCRATES bill. (Note: Security Assessment is not eligible for federal or state telecom aid.) Subsequent years may need less support days depending on district need.

TO GET STARTED
Complete the form on the back or contact Jason Borglum for more information.
SIGN OFF

All members of the SOCRATES Regional Network need to work together to ensure that our network is safe and secure. SOCRATES and its partners have implemented significant security, safety and redundancy measures in order to keep the network safe and to reroute network traffic if there is an issue. We also need to help each member implement appropriate measures within their local network. With this in mind please fill out the following so that we know how to best work with your school or educational organization.

_______ We plan to purchase the Security as a Service from the SCSC.

________________________________________________ will be the key contact for this project.

The SCSC will work with the key contact to develop a customized Statement of Work for final approval.

_______ We are meeting the MN Government Data Practice Act requirements through participation in another program.

________________________________________________Name of the Program

________________________________________________Key Contact

Signature:  

Title:  

Date:  

Please email the completed form to jborglum@mnscsc.org by March 15, 2022