

First Friday Maintenance



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The first Friday of every month is the scheduled period of time that Oxnard College IT uses to ensure that our IT network infrastructure and systems remain secure and reliable. Several years ago this maintenance window was established in order to create consistency for the campus with necessary technology updates. Scheduled maintenance windows reduce unexpected downtime and other outages to technology resources, and they allow us to implement changes and fixes in a planned and coordinated manner.

The college district IT department also uses this maintenance window to ensure that our internet circuits and district-wide resources are tuned and maintained optimally and securely.



Many of the changes we make will not have any impact on campus services, however, we do our best to consolidate these changes into a predictable and regular schedule in order to reduce the possibility of unexpected disruption. There are times that we need to replace critical network equipment or upgrade firewalls and these events create a much greater impact on access to campus technology services. When we expect larger scheduled outages or impact to service, we do our best to communicate exactly which services will be impacted and the duration.



Computer and network security protects our data and organization. Cyber security threats are on the rise, and it is the responsibility of all of us to ensure



Routine network maintenance and upgrades are necessary in order to continuously provide efficient and high performance access to



Scheduled maintenance windows allow the organization to increase productivity by reducing unexpected downtime events, which is often the