Security risk assessment report

Part 1: Select up to three hardening tools and methods to implement

Three hardening tools that the organization can use to address the vulnerabilities found includes:

- 1. Setting and enforcing strong password policies
- 2. Firewall configuration and maintenance
- 3. Implementing multi-factor authentication (MFA)

Part 2: Explain your recommendations

Creating and enforcing a password policy within the company will make it increasingly challenging for malicious actors to access the network. The rules that are included in the password policy will need to be enforced regularly within the organization to help increase user security.

Firewall maintenance should happen regularly. Firewall rules should be updated whenever a security event occurs, especially an event that allows suspicious network traffic into the network. This measure can be used to protect against various DoS and DDoS attacks.

Enforcing multi-factor authentication (MFA) will reduce the likelihood that a malicious actor can access a network through a brute force or related attack. MFA will also make it more difficult for people within the organization to share passwords. Identifying and verifying credentials is especially critical among employees with administrator level privileges on the network. MFA should be enforced regularly.