

# Bearkat Association of Security and Hacking

Sponsorship Packet 2025–2026



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### **About Us**

The Bearkat Association of Security and Hacking (BASH) at Sam Houston State University is a dynamic, student-led organization dedicated to empowering its members with cutting-edge blue team and red team cybersecurity skills. Our mission is to prepare students to excel as cybersecurity professionals through hands-on learning, collaboration, and engagement in competitions.

We actively participate in national cybersecurity competitions, including the Collegiate Penetration Testing Competition (CPTC), Collegiate Cyber Defense Competition (CCDC), Hive-storm, and the National Centers of Academic Excellence Cybergames (NCAE), where members hone their skills in real-world scenarios.

Beyond competitions, BASH holds bi-weekly meetings during the fall and spring semesters, for:

- Competition preparation
- Certification training
- Professional development
- Capture the Flag (CTF) events
- Collaborative group projects

These activities foster creative problem-solving, bridge the gap between academia and industry, and build valuable professional connections.

### **Partnership**

At BASH, we aim to bridge the gap between academia and industry by fostering strong partnerships with cybersecurity companies and professionals. These collaborations provide our members with real-world insights, helping them navigate career paths and stay ahead in the rapidly evolving cybersecurity landscape.

By partnering with us, sponsors gain access to a talented pool of motivated students eager to contribute to the industry. Guest speakers, workshops, and recruitment events hosted by our partners provide unique opportunities to inspire and connect with the next generation of cybersecurity experts.

### **Sponsorship Opportunities**

We offer three sponsorship tiers to support our club's initiatives and provide value to our partners. Sponsorships are valid for two academic semesters.

*Note: Guest speaker presentations do not require a sponsorship tier purchase.*

Tier	Amount	Benefits
Gold	\$1,000+	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Host a dedicated recruitment event</li><li>• Priority scheduling for events</li><li>• All benefits from lower tiers</li></ul>
Silver	\$750	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Host a technical workshop or meet-and-greet event</li><li>• Access to club's resume bank</li><li>• All benefits from lower tiers</li></ul>
Bronze	\$500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Recognition on club T-shirts</li><li>• Recognition on club website</li></ul>

## Impact

Since its inception, the Bearkat Association of Security and Hacking has made significant contributions to cybersecurity education and organizational growth:

- **Competition Excellence:** Our members have consistently competed in top ranking competitions like CCDC and CPTC, demonstrating our ability to tackle complex cybersecurity challenges.
- **Career Success:** BASH alumni have secured positions at leading organizations, including CrowdStrike, Protiviti, NASA and other federal agencies, reflecting our commitment to preparing students for industry roles.
- **Skill Development:** We advocate for members in earning certifications such as CompTIA Security+, Cisco CCNA, and eJPT. Our organization officers help provide students the hands-on skills that lead them to secure internships and full-time roles in cybersecurity.

## Hardware Donations

In addition to financial sponsorship, BASH gladly accepts **hardware donations** to support our hands-on learning environment. Donated equipment helps our members gain real-world experience building, configuring, and defending enterprise-grade systems.

### Examples of Valuable Hardware

- Enterprise-grade network switches, routers, and firewalls
- Servers, storage arrays, and virtualization platforms
- Laptops or workstations suitable for lab use
- OT/ICS components or test kits for industrial security training
- Cables, racks, and accessories to support networking labs

### **Use of Donated Hardware**

All hardware donations are inventoried and used for:

- Competition training and preparation
- Building our internal cybersecurity range and lab environments
- Hosting workshops and student projects
- Expanding access to hands-on learning for new members

BASH publicly recognizes hardware donors alongside our financial sponsors on our website, social channels, and club materials.

### **Contact Us**

For more information about sponsorship opportunities or to get involved, please reach out to us:

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We look forward to partnering with you to advance cybersecurity education and innovation!