
GAGE AYALA

Round Rock, TX 78665 ♦ (512)-635-2460 ♦ GageAtx95@gmail.com ♦ WWW: gageayala.com

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Cybersecurity Specialist and Computer Programmer with 5 years experience and a proven track record of securing networks, detecting threats, and upgrading infrastructures. Experienced in penetration testing, computer forensics, and AI-driven security automation. Great at collaborating with teams to implement compliant, resilient security architectures. Explore more of my work at www.gageayala.com and let's talk about how I can bring that same energy and expertise to your team.

SKILLS

- Burp Suite, Metasploit, OpenVAS, Gobuster, Nessus
- Social Engineering, OSINT, Google Dorking, Incident Response
- Log Analysis, Sysmon, Process Explorer, Elastic Siem
- Python, C++, Java, Bash, Tailwind, Powershell
- AWS Security, MFA Enforcement, Nikto, Yubikey
- Network Security, Data Encryption, OPNSense
- AI Automation, API Integration, Web Design
- Report Writing, Clear Communication, Team Leader, Adaptability, Problem-Solver

WORK HISTORY

Cybersecurity Analyst, 01/2025 - Current

Transom Construction (contract) – Austin, TX

- Hardened business infrastructure by enforcing MFA, encrypting data, and aligning with Texas Penal Code §33 and CFAA.
- Conducted a vulnerability scan using OpenVAS and performed a penetration test to identify critical issues.
- Log monitoring and threat detection using Wazuh & Graylog; also wrote custom scripts to automate alerts.
- Setup with a new encrypted email that i monitor for any suspicious attacks
- Perform threat analysis and research the latest emerging threats to stay ahead of the current attack vectors
- Provide detailed documentation to the CEO translating my technical implementations into more understandable material
- Provide support through ticketing system and on-call IT support if a critical or time-urgent issue arises
- Analyze for False and True positives in alerts and then also remediating any True positives discovered

Bartender, 09/2023 - 11/2024

Bjs Restaurants Inc – Round Rock, Texas

Lawn Care Technician, 03/2018 - 03/2019

TruGreen Lawn Care – Round Rock, Texas

EDUCATION

Associate of Applied Science: LAN Systems-Cyber Security Specialist, 05/2025

Austin Community College - Austin, TX

Associate of Applied Science: Computer Programming, 05/2025

Austin Community College - Austin, TX

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- **President of the CyberSec club and Captain of the CTF Team at ACC mentoring students in Cybersecurity and hosting CTF events with professionals.**
- **Reverse engineered the Nexigo NS32 controller and published a technical repair guide on iFixit.com.**
- **Designed and ran a security-themed CTF using CTFd for a local hackathon and helped judge submissions.**
- **Investigated and remediated a company breach preventing \$40,000+ in damages and \$100,000+ in future losses.**
- **Developed a secure web-based tool for social media management using AI automation for businesses.**
- **Built a segmented home lab using OPNsense, VLANs, Protectli Vault, Kali Linux, a Switch and NordVPN.**
- **Created and ran two E-Commerce websites that made a couple thousand dollars each.**
- **Top 1% internationally on TryHackMe with over 300 rooms completed, 7 Certs, and 50+ badges**