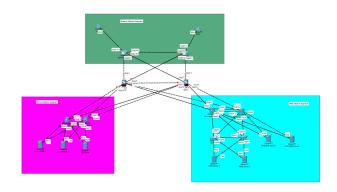
Design a Secure Network Architecture



NGFW (Next Generation Firewall)

Provides advanced threat protection, deep packet inspection, and application awareness to secure the network perimeter.

Router

Routes data packets between networks, directing traffic within the internal network and to external networks.

Switches

Connects devices within a local area network (LAN) and efficiently forwards data to the correct device.

HIDS (Host Intrusion Detection System)

Monitors individual hosts for suspicious activity and potential security breaches, alerting administrators.

NIDS (Network Intrusion Detection System)

Monitors network traffic for signs of malicious activity or policy violations, providing early detection of attacks.

DHCP (Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol)

Automatically assigns IP addresses to devices on the network, simplifying network management.

File Servers

Provide centralized storage and access to files and documents for users and applications.

Database Servers

Manage and store structured data, handling requests from applications and users for data retrieval and manipulation.

Policy Servers

Enforce security policies and access controls across the network, ensuring compliance with organizational standards.

Web Servers

Host websites and web applications, serving content to users over the internet or an intranet.

Directory Services

Manage user identities and access permissions, allowing for centralized authentication and authorization.

Internally Used Apps

Applications that are essential for business operations, typically hosted on internal servers and accessed by employees.

NIPS (Network Intrusion Prevention System)

Actively blocks malicious traffic by analyzing packets in realtime, preventing threats before they enter the network. Positioned inline, it stops or drops packets that match attack signatures.