

### NCL Spring 2022 Individual Game Scouting Report

Dear Nehemjit Rai,

Thank you for participating in the National Cyber League (NCL) 2022 Spring Season! Our goal is to prepare the next generation of cybersecurity professionals, and your participation is helping achieve that goal.

The NCL was founded in May 2011 to provide an ongoing virtual training ground for collegiate students to develop, practice, and validate their cybersecurity skills in preparation for further learning, industry certifications, and career readiness. The NCL scenario-based challenges were designed around performance-based exam objectives of CompTIA certifications and are aligned to the National Initiative for Cybersecurity Education (NICE) Cybersecurity Workforce Framework published by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).

As you look to a future career in cybersecurity, we hope you find this report to be valuable in both validating skills and identifying areas for improvement across the nine NCL skills categories. You can use this NCL Scouting Report to:

- Validate your skills to employers in any job application or professional portfolio;
- Show case your achievements and strengths by including the Score Card view of your performance as part of your résumé or simply sharing the validation link so that others may view the detailed version of this report.

The NCL 2022 Spring Season had 6,610 students/players and 467 faculty/coaches from more than 500 two- and fouryear schools & 80 high schools across all 50 U.S. states registered to play. The Individual Game Capture the Flag (CTF) event took place from April 8 through April 10. The Team Game CTF event took place from April 22 through April 24. The games were conducted in real-time for students across the country.

NCL is powered by Cyber Skyline's cloud-based skills evaluation platform. Cyber Skyline hosted the scenario-driven cybersecurity challenges for players to compete and track their progress in real-time.

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Based on the the performance detailed in this NCL Scouting Report, you have earned 12 hours of CompTIA. Continuing Education Units (CEUs) as approved by CompTIA. You can learn more about the NCL -CompTIA alignment via nationalcyberleague.org/comptia.

Congratulations for your participation in the NCL 2022 Spring Individual Game! We hope you will continue to develop your knowledge and skills and make meaningful contributions as part of the Information Security workforce!

David Zeichick **NCL** Commissioner



### NATIONAL CYBER LEAGUE SCORE CARD

NCL 2022 SPRING INDIVIDUAL GAME

**NATIONAL RANK** 255TH PLACE **OUT OF 6010 PERCENTILE 96**TH

**ENUMERATION & EXPLOITATION LOG ANALYSIS** 97TH PERCENTILE 98TH PERCENTILE

95TH PERCENTILE



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YOUR TOP CATEGORIES



# NCL Spring 2022 Individual Game

The NCL Individual Game is designed for student players nationwide to compete in realtime in the categories listed below. The Individual Game evaluates the technical cybersecurity skills of the individual, without the assistance of others.

255 TH PLACE OUT OF 6010

NATIONAL RANK

1775 POINTS OUT OF 3000

57.8% ACCURACY



96<sup>th</sup> National Percentile

Average: 730.1 Points

Average: 65.7%

Average: 33.5%

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Cryptography	110 POINTS OUT OF 345	77.8% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	50.0%
Identify techniques used to encrypt or obfuscate mess extract the plaintext.		ACCURACT		
Enumeration & Exploitation	270 POINTS OUT OF 320	61.5% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	88.9%
Identify actionable exploits and vulnerabilities and use security measures in code and compiled binaries.	them to bypass the	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		
Forensics	120 POINTS OUT OF 300	40.0% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	50.0%
Utilize the proper tools and techniques to analyze, procinvestigate digital evidence in a computer-related incid				
Log Analysis	310 POINTS OUT OF 340	36.6% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	88.2%
Utilize the proper tools and techniques to establish a b operation and identify malicious activities using log file		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		
Network Traffic Analysis	160 POINTS OUT OF 360	61.9% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	61.9%
Identify malicious and benign network traffic to demon potential security breaches.	ostrate an understanding of			
Open Source Intelligence	200 POINTS OUT OF 300	46.2% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	80.0%
Utilize publicly available information such as search en social media, and more to gain in-depth knowledge on				
Password Cracking	205 POINTS OUT OF 310	94.7% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	85.7%
Identify types of password hashes and apply various to determine plaintext passwords.	echniques to efficiently			
Scanning & Reconnaissance	200 POINTS OUT OF 300	77.8% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	50.0%
Identify and use the proper tools to gain intelligence abservices and potential vulnerabilities.	oout a target including its			
Web Application Exploitation	100 POINTS OUT OF 325	80.0% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	50.0%
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Note: Survey module (100 points) was excluded from this report.





## Cryptography Module

Identify techniques used to encrypt or obfuscate messages and leverage tools to extract the plaintext.

PERFORMANCE SCORE

77.8% ACCURACY



#### TOP NICE WORKROLES

Security Control Assessor Secure Software Assessor **Exploitation Analyst** Cyber Operator Security Architect

100.0%

78<sup>th</sup> National

Average: 111.7 Points

Average: 85.3%

Decoding 1 (Easy)	30 POINTS OUT OF 30	60.0%	COMPLETION:				
Identify the type of base encoding used and decode the data							
Decoding 2 (Easy)	25 POINTS OUT OF 25	100.0%	COMPLETION:				
Identify the encoding scheme used and decode the data							
Decoding 3 (Medium)	35 POINTS OUT OF 35	100.0%	COMPLETION:				
Identify the encoding scheme used and decode the data							
Decoding 4 (Medium)	O POINTS OUT OF 40	0.0% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:				
Identify the cipher scheme used and decrypt the data		7.000.0.01					
Decoding 5 (Medium)	O POINTS OUT OF	0.0%	COMPLETION:				
Identify the communication scheme used and decode the message							

Decoding 6 (Hard) Identify the communication scheme used and decode the message

Stego 1 (Easy)

Identify the steganography technique used and extract the hidden data Stego 2 (Medium)

100.0% **ACCURACY** Identify the steganography technique used and extract the hidden data

0.0% **ACCURACY** 

0.0%

COMPLETION:	100.0%
COMPLETION:	100.0%
COMPLETION:	0.0%
COMPLETION:	50.0%



### **Enumeration & Exploitation Module**

Identify actionable exploits and vulnerabilities and use them to bypass the security measures in code and compiled binaries.

48 TH PLACE OUT OF 6010 NATIONAL RANK

61.5% ACCURACY Average: 60.7%

88.9% COMPLETION Average: 36.8%

#### TOP NICE WORKROLES

Cyber Operator Target Developer **Exploitation Analyst** Software Developer Systems Security Analyst

98<sup>th</sup> National Percentile

Average: 83.8 Points

57.1%

COMPLETION:

100.0%

Decompile and analyze Java bytecode

Blocky (Medium)

Validator (Easy)

100.0% ACCURACY

COMPLETION: 66.7%

Disassemble and analyze a malicious Chrome browser extension

Exploit (Hard)

50.0% **ACCURACY**  COMPLETION: 100.0%

Analyze a remote Linux server for vulnerabilities and demonstrate proof of concept exploit

### Forensics Module

Utilize the proper tools and techniques to analyze, process, recover, and/or investigate digital evidence in a computer-related incident.

**ST PLACE** 331 OUT OF 6010

NATIONAL RANK

PERFORMANCE SCORE

40.0% ACCURACY

50.0% COMPLETION TOP NICE WORKROLES

Cyber Defense Forensics Analyst Cyber Crime Investigator

Cyber Defense Incident Responder

95<sup>th</sup> National Percentile

Average: 70.1 Points

Average: 57.4%

Average: 37.6%

COMPLETION:

Cyber Defense Analyst

Archived (Easy)

37.5%

COMPLETION: 75.0%

Extract hidden metadata information from a tar archive file

Puzzle (Medium)

100.0%

50.0%

Identify overlapping byte segments to reconstruct a multi-part file

Hacker Flyer (Hard)

OUT OF

0.0%

COMPLETION: 0.0%

Extract sensitive data from a Windows memory dump



### Log Analysis Module

Utilize the proper tools and techniques to establish a baseline for normal operation and identify malicious activities using log files from various services.



PERFORMANCE SCORE





Average: 41.3%

#### TOP NICE WORKROLES

Cyber Defense Analyst Systems Security Analyst All-Source Analyst Cyber Defense Forensics Analyst Data Analyst

NATIONAL RANK

97th National

Average: 122.7 Points

Average: 42.8%

22.2% **ACCURACY** 

COMPLETION:

66.7%

IIS (Easy)

Analyze a Windows IIS web server log to identify attacker scanning activity

80 POINTS OUT OF 110

37.5% **ACCURACY**  COMPLETION: 100.0%

Analyze an IOT sensors log to identify anomalous behavior

Email (Hard)

Devices (Medium)

71.4%

COMPLETION: 100.0%

Analyze email logs to identify phishing attempts and suspicious email senders

### Network Traffic Analysis Module

Identify malicious and benign network traffic to demonstrate an understanding of potential security breaches.

**TH** PLACE 567 OUT OF 6010

PERFORMANCE SCORE

61.9% ACCURACY



TOP NICE WORKROLES

Cyber Defense Analyst All-Source Analyst Cyber Defense Incident Responder Target Network Analyst Cyber Operator

91 st National

Average: 102.3 Points

Average: 52.5%

Transfer (Easy) Extract sensitive information from a FTP packet capture

77.8% **ACCURACY** 

COMPLETION: 100.0%

WiFi Cracking (Medium)

66.7% ACCURACY COMPLETION: 80.0%

Identify vulnerable WiFi encryption scheme and crack the WiFi password

Kryptonite (Medium)

33.3%

25.0%

Decrypt and analyze an intercepted TLS packet capture

AirKeys (Hard)

33.3%

COMPLETION:

COMPLETION:

20.0%

Analyze Bluetooth keyboard connection and reconstruct keystrokes to extract credential information





## Open Source Intelligence Module

Utilize publicly available information such as search engines, public repositories, social media, and more to gain in-depth knowledge on a topic or target.

**TH PLACE** OUT OF 6010 PERFORMANCE SCORE





#### TOP NICE WORKROLES

Systems Security Analyst Target Developer System Administrator Research & Development Specialist Cyber Intel Planner

NATIONAL RANK

69<sup>th</sup> National

Average: 187.7 Points

Geolocate an individual using cellular tower identification number

Rules of Conduct (Easy) COMPLETION: 100.0% 100.0% **ACCURACY** Introductory challenge on acceptable conduct during NCL COMPLETION: 100.0% 75.0% Whois (Easy) ACCURACY Explore whois registration information on IP addresses COMPLETION: 100.0% Filings (Easy) 60.0% Identify common regulatory filings required in the cybersecurity industry COMPLETION: 100.0% Tor (Medium) 60.0% ACCURACY Identify metadata and affiliation information about Tor relay nodes COMPLETION: 0.0% Caller ID (Hard) 0.0% **ACCURACY** 





### Password Cracking Module

Identify types of password hashes and apply various techniques to efficiently determine plaintext passwords.

480 TH PLACE OUT OF 6010

205 POINTS OUT OF 310 PERFORMANCE SCORE

94.7% ACCURACY



#### TOP NICE WORKROLES

Cyber Operator Exploitation Analyst Systems Security Analyst Cyber Defense Incident Responder Cyber Crime Investigator

NATIONAL RANK

93<sup>rd</sup> National Percentile

Average: 108.5 Points

Average: 88.9%

Average: 48.4%

Hashing (Easy)	15 POINTS OUT OF	100.0% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	100.0%		
Generate password hashes for MD5, SHA1, and SHA256	5					
Cracking 1 (Easy)	30 POINTS OUT OF	100.0% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	100.0%		
Crack MD5 password hashes						
Cracking 2 (Easy)	30 POINTS OUT OF	75.0% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	100.0%		
Crack Windows NTLM password hashes						
Cracking 3 (Medium)	45 POINTS OUT OF	100.0% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	100.0%		
Build a wordlist or pattern config to crack password hashes of a known pattern						
Cracking 4 (Hard)	40 POINTS OUT OF 145	100.0% ACCURACY	COMPLETION:	57.1%		
Build a wordlist to crack passwords not found in common wordlists						
PDF (Medium)	45 POINTS OUT OF	100.0%	COMPLETION:	100.0%		

ACCURACY

Crack the password of a PDF document file





### Scanning & Reconnaissance Module

Identify and use the proper tools to gain intelligence about a target including its services and potential vulnerabilities.

**TH PLACE** OUT OF 6010

77.8% ACCURACY

Average: 62.3%



#### TOP NICE WORKROLES

Vulnerability Assessment Analyst Target Network Analyst Cyber Operations Planner Target Developer Security Control Assessor

NATIONAL RANK

94th National

FTP Scan (Easy)

Average: 95.2 Points

100.0% **ACCURACY** 

COMPLETION: 100.0%

Scan a FTP server to enumerate its contents and possible vulnerabilities

Disclosure (Medium)

100.0% **ACCURACY** 

COMPLETION: 100.0%

Identify server configuration and enumerate remote web server paths

Castle (Hard)

0.0% **ACCURACY**  COMPLETION: 0.0%

Scan and analyze the results from a LDAP server

### Web Application Exploitation Module

Identify actionable exploits and vulnerabilities and use them to bypass the security measures in online services.

**TH** PLACE 460 OUT OF 6010

NATIONAL RANK

PERFORMANCE SCORE

80.0% ACCURACY

Average: 52.0%



COMPLETION:

TOP NICE WORKROLES

Cyber Operator Software Developer **Exploitation Analyst** Systems Security Analyst Database Administrator

93<sup>rd</sup> National

Wordly (Easy)

Average: 53.3 Points

80.0% ACCURACY

COMPLETION: 100.0%

Exploit a popular game app by analyzing the partial logic in the browser side JavaScript code

Cookie Game (Medium)

0.0% **ACCURACY**  0.0%

Identify and exploit hidden backdoor functionality to gain access to the server

PayMo (Hard)

0.0% ACCURACY COMPLETION: 0.0%

Exploit a payment processing app for vulnerabilities that would drain user balance