

Threat Analysis

STRIDE Category	Threat Scenario	Potential Impact	Mitigation
Spoofing Identity	A malicious user pretends to be a student or admin to access results or modify data.	Unauthorized access to exam results or admin functions.	Strong authentication (username + password), 2FA for admin, secure session tokens.
Tampering	An attacker modifies exam results in the database or alters HTTP requests to change data.	Data integrity loss, wrong results shown to students.	Use prepared statements, input validation, database access controls, HTTPS.
Repudiation	Users or admins deny performing actions, like uploading or changing results.	Accountability loss; difficult to audit.	Maintain secure logs with timestamps and user IDs; digital signatures for admin actions.
Information Disclosure	Sensitive student data (marks, personal info) is leaked via insecure session or SQL injection.	Privacy breach, potential legal issues.	HTTPS, secure cookies, session expiration, access control checks, input sanitization.
Denial of Service (DoS)	Flooding login page or result queries to make the portal unavailable.	Students cannot access results; service disruption.	Rate limiting, CAPTCHA, server resource monitoring, scaling with Kubernetes.
Elevation of Privilege	A student gains admin privileges through flaws (e.g., parameter tampering, session hijacking).	Unauthorized modification of results, data corruption.	Role-based access control, session regeneration, server-side authorization checks.