

Short Term Access Accounts

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Technologies

Objective

- Provide a process such that individuals can acquire a temporary Access Account to access Penn State Computing resources who don't otherwise have Penn State Access Accounts
- While assuring enduser identity
- And accountability for appropriate use.

Overview

- Request for STAA Pool made to Accounts Office
 - Accounts@psu.edu, 814-865-4772
- Establish Charge Account
 - Account will be billed monthly
 - Auth-only = \$3/mo
 - Full accounts = \$8/mo
 - To acquire normal account entitlements, eg. PASS, email, ...

Overview (cont'd)

- Charge Account Billed
 - At a daily pro rata for the duration that each account in the pool is active for the month.
- Pool will need to be renewed annually
- Only full time staff can be account supervisor.
- Account supervisor can delegate admin authority to others with Access Accounts.

STAA Details

- Accounts office will generate pool of accounts and notify supervisor
- Supervisor can go to <http://cactus.aset.psu.edu/staa/admin> to designate admins
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STAA Details

- Admin allocating accounts will check picture id and add id info via web page
 - This yields the account-to- real person mapping log that we need.
 - Admin sets account duration
 - Billing based on this
 - New account password is generated and displayed for the admin to give to the temp account user.
 - Account gets automatically locked at the end of the allocation period.

Responsibilities

- Since the end user is not reading and agreeing to policies via Signature Station, Account Supervisor is taking responsibility to explain policies and appropriate use to the end users
- AND, ultimately, is taking responsibility for the behavior of the temp account holders.

Consequences

- Purveyor of “bad” behavior should lose account privilege.
- Unresolved enduser issues could result in the account supervisor losing STAA pool(s) and the privilege to acquire any new pools.
- Ultimately, violation of Penn State policies could subject one to dismissal.