Windows Enterprise Announcement

October 25, 2012 – WINDC5 Domain Controller Unavailable January 8, 2013

ITS added a fifth domain controller to the Windows Enterprise Domain on August 14, 2012. This domain controller is currently running on a 32-bit version of Windows Server 2008.

ITS intends to start converting the domain controllers to Windows Server 2008 R2 early next year. This will move the domain controllers to a 64-bit operating system. The first domain controller to be converted will be WINDC5. The conversion is planned to take place on January 8, 2013 and WINDC5 will be unavailable most of the day.

Most users will not notice the outage of one domain controller. Windows domain member systems will automatically fail over to one of the four remaining domain controllers. However, if you have non-Microsoft systems that will not fail over and are pointed to windc5.iastate.edu (129.186.88.245) you will want to change that prior to January 8, 2013.

ITS will continue to provide updated announcements on this upgrade via the CCSG and WinAdmin mailing lists and Critical Event Log as the appropriate.