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10 questions to assess the strength of your information security plan

Data with any value will always be at risk. Gauge the strength of your information security plan with these 10 questions.

1. **What are our security requirements?**

2. **Are we in compliance with external regulations?**

3. **Do we have adequate policies for data governance?**

4. **How are we managing access and identity verification?**

5. **Have we engaged institutional leaders?**

6. **Are we providing adequate education for students, faculty, and staff?**

7. **Are we choosing third-party vendors carefully?**

8. **Have we modernized our technology and systems?**

9. **Do we aggressively address security incidents?**

10. **Are we making continuous investments in information security?**

Planning for something to go wrong can be distressing. But if you can get comfortable with discomfort—becoming agile, alert, responsive, and realistic—you can create the level of information security that your institution needs to thrive.

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