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# **Password Information**

For Accounts on the Academic Computing Services (ACS) Network

Your account = access to



Did you know the username and password you use for ACS computers, Blackboard, and student wireless is one single account? If you change the password for one, it changes for all three!

### **STRONG PASSWORDS**

- A strong password cannot contain any part of your name or username.
- A strong password must be at least 8 characters in length.
- A strong password contains elements from 3 of the 4 character types:
  - English upper case letters: A, B, C,...Z Westernized Arabic numerals: 0, 1, 2,...9 \$, %, #, ) - Non-alphanumeric characters:
  - English lower case letters: a, b, c,...z

## **STRONG PASSWORD EXAMPLES**

- Combine words to make a phrase and include a misspelling or a character substitution.
- Use the first letter of each word in a phrase, then substitute a few characters.
  - Iw20yat! (It was 20 years ago today)
- 1Likesp@ghetti (I like spaghetti)
- 99rubberDuckie\$ (99 rubber duckies)
- 3dm0ndsCc (Edmonds CC)

# **CHANGING YOUR PASSWORD**

There are 2 ways to change your password:

- 1. On-line—go to http://www.edcc.edu/studentpass OR
- 2. Log onto any computer on the ACS network and
  - \* Hold down the **Ctrl**, **Alt**, and the **Delete** keys on your keyboard all at the same time.
  - \* Select Change a password
  - \* Enter the old password
  - \* Enter the new password
  - \* Confirm the new password
  - \* Hit Enter or click the arrow button



### **PASSWORD EXPIRATION INFORMATION**

- Passwords expire every 120 days.
- You may change your password at any time, even if it is not expired.

Have you previously logged on? If you have forgotten your password or need assistance, please see a lab assistant in ALD hall or the LYN Library.