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BLUF: Mr. Neal Miller came and spoke to us today and these were my top 3 take aways.

Making connections

My major isn’t cybersecurity or anything technical, but some of the following points that were made really stick out to me and resonate with me on just a day-to-day basis. Making connections between things you wouldn’t usually think would be connected was one of his key points. Kind of like if I wake up and I'm not in the best mood once I step outside to get some air and the sunshine fills me up and turns the day around. The job is about solving a lot of puzzles.

Positivity and risk management

When working you want to stay positive and make a positive difference in your organization. It's all about risk management, being able to understand risk, to be able to manage and limit risk. Work diligently and with precision so you get it right the first time and you won’t have to keep redoing the same task. Don't be scared to make mistakes, just don't get comfortable making them.

Moving forward

To move up you have to move out. When he was talking, he also said to build a strong foundation in your line of work, so you can go into many different fields. Its ok to move out if it's better for you or your situation, but don't jump around. When you find something, you really like get good at it.

Conclusion

To conclude, Mr. Miller came to speak with the class today and we were supposed to analysis his dialog. From everything I heard, I was able to pick out my top 3 takeaways and they were making connections, positivity and risk management, and moving forward. I enjoyed the time and insights Mr. Miller gave us they were helpful. Being able to apply them to a real-world situation is great.