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Reflection #2

As the semester continued to progress, I found myself absolutely enriched by every workshop and activity we have done in this classroom. Starting with the VALOR presentations with Mr. Greg Tomchick, he is a talented and professional speaker who was excellent in teaching us how to navigate our way through discovering why we love cybersecurity and how we want to apply it to our careers. He gave me a greater understanding of what direction I want to go in and set me up perfectly to hit the streets with my new team. Hearing Kristen Stephens speak was so exciting and her presentation helped me understand the CPG 2.0 framework and how it can correlate and differentiate from the NIST framework. I can use this new knowledge to create stronger policies from my business, so it was so fulfilling to have Stephens educate us on this subject. Actually getting to go out into Norfolk to talk to businesses about their cybersecurity health was a nerve-wrecking experience, but what made it easier was having a team to work with and we did an excellent job supporting each other and using the “Yes, and…” method of communication. I could not have gotten assigned to a better team and an amazing company such as VB Surf & Rescue Museum, and our meeting with their director Dana Sizemore was an excellent experience. We covered so much ground despite her uncertainty on cybersecurity, and she was so excited to tell us everything that we gained a ton of knowledge that we will apply to our project later this semester. Overall, this semester continues to be enriching and exciting at the same time and I am so excited to get started on our team project after the break as well getting to know my teammates and Mrs. Sizemore better professionally and personally.