

Re: Backup Domain Controller In SBS 2000

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Yes. We are using windows 2000 and XP. I just want people to be able to login into the network even if the SBS200 server is completely down for some reason. I am pretty sure I have setup the other domain controllers correctly. All of them are set as Global Catalog Servers. The only thing I can think of is that the DNS is setup incorrectly. Right now, I have the SBS 2000 setup as the primary DNS and one of the other Domain controllers setup as the secondary DNS on our network....an other ideas...

"Dave Nickason [SBS MVP]" wrote:

> *What I've seen is that if there is no DC available to authenticate logins,
> win2k and later will log in with cached credentials. Login with cached
> credentials fails if the SBS is online but not responding, apparently
> because the workstation knows the SBS is there but it's not getting an
> answer.*
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> *Are you getting login failures if the SBS is completely shut down so that it
> won't even respond to a ping? What OS are the desktops running?*
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> *"Grecko" <Grecko@discussions.microsoft.com> wrote in message
> news:D3FE467B-3A26-46AB-AA0E-11051C3158F4@microsoft.com...
> > I am have added backup domain controllers to our SBS network. The domain
> > controllers are replicating correctly as I am able to add/change user
> > account
> > information from any controller and it propagates to all domain
> > controllers.
> > However, when the SBS 2000 server is down it wont let anyone log onto the
> > network and gives an error message about the domain controller not be
> > found....
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> > Shouldn't the other domain controllers allow users to login even if the
> > SBS
> > 2000 server is down? What do I need to do to resolve this problem?...*
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