

Re: Blocking access to USB flash drives/external firewire devices

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> What are you trying to protect here?

Information, period.

- > If you are afraid that I will steal your data I can find so many more ways
- > to do it (e.g. LPT port, PS2 port, ...). Will you disable those too?
- > Do users have access to the internet? If yes, they can open up Gmail account
- > and upload up to 2GB of data (this is only one service)...

So I should do nothing? Just because there are many ways to circumvent security measures is not any reason to completely leave the doors wide open. If users are going to try and get information, I'm not going to make it easy for them. And, not all of the users on a corporate network are as "sneaky" as you?

I understand your point, but we as administrator cannot sit by and twiddle the ol' thumbs thinking, oh, well, they'll get the information any way. Why should I do anything to prevent them? This is the same logic the fuels the spiraling teen pregnancy rate (ok...that's for another forum).

Marc

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