

Cirrus Identity News

Cirrus User Group - Save the Date!

Cirrus will be hosting our first-ever user group meeting on **Monday evening, December 5th in Denver, Colorado**. The [Internet2 Technology Exchange](#) starts on Tuesday morning, December 6th, so register now!

If you would like to attend the Cirrus User Group meeting to exchange ideas, enjoy good food, drinks and discussion, please email usergroup@cirrusidentity.com. Stay tuned for more details!

New Cirrus Blog Series - Mark's Assertions

Over the course of the next year, Mark Rank - Cirrus' Director of Product, will be developing a series of blog posts focused on sharing practical insights for how to optimize the configuration of authentications in higher ed and research. Here's the first of the series:

[Mark's Assertions - eduPersonScopedAffiliation](#)

Cirrus in the Community

Cirrus continues to contribute significant resources to the greater higher education IAM community. Here are some updates from these community groups!

- **Identity as a Provider Workgroup** - Dedra Chamberlin, CEO, and Karen Kato, Director of Sales and Marketing, participate in this InCommon team that is developing a pilot program this summer based on the findings and recommendations stemming from the IdPaaS Workgroup report. (<https://spaces.at.internet2.edu/display/IDPAAS/IdPaaS+Home>)
- **Technical Advisory Committee** - Mark Rank, Director of Product, represents Cirrus and the community on the TAC. This year, TAC worked on wider adoption of the SAML V2 Deployment Profile, fostering deployment of subject-id/pairwise-id, supporting testing for IdP/SPs, and emerging trends in identity management. Each fall, TAC looks to elect new members of the community to join TAC. - please email mark.rank@cirrusidentity.com if you'd like to hear more!
- **SimpleSAMLphp Board** - Dedra Chamberlin serves on the SimpleSAMLphp Board.

Cirrus hopes to see you at one or both upcoming conferences in 2022:

- **EDUCAUSE** - Tuesday, October 25th - Friday, October 28th in Denver, Colorado. [Register here!](#)
- **Internet 2 Technical Exchange** - Tuesday, December 6th - Thursday, December 8th in Denver, Colorado. [Register here!](#)

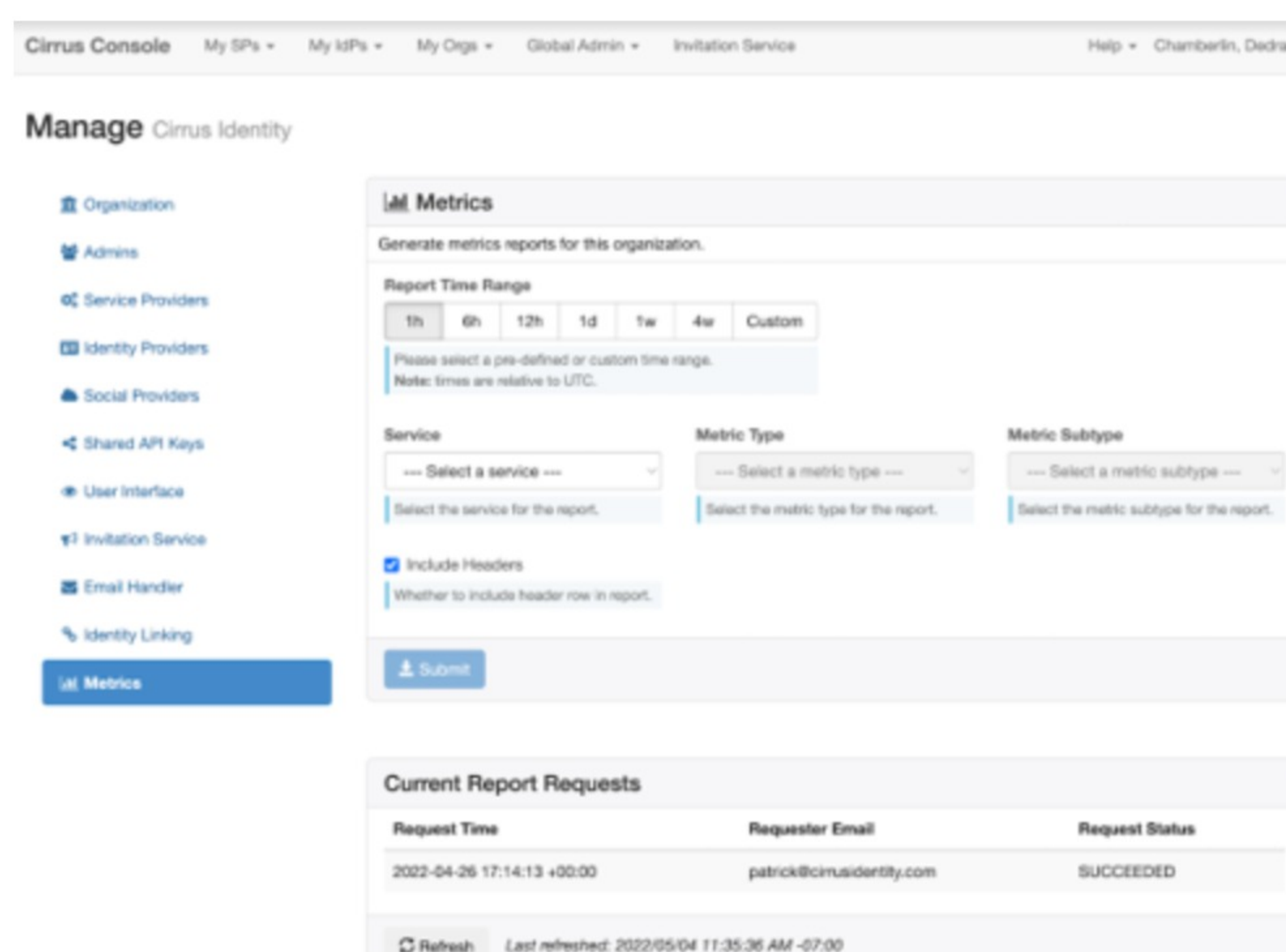
Cirrus Identity Product Updates

New Features!

Since May, Cirrus has released many new enhancements to our solutions:

Self-Service Log Metrics

Cirrus is very excited to provide Console Administrators the ability to download their own .csv file of log data from up to the last 4 weeks. [Register Now](#) for our Cirrus Webinar on Friday, September 9th at 10-11am Pacific / 1-2pm Eastern to learn more about this new feature!



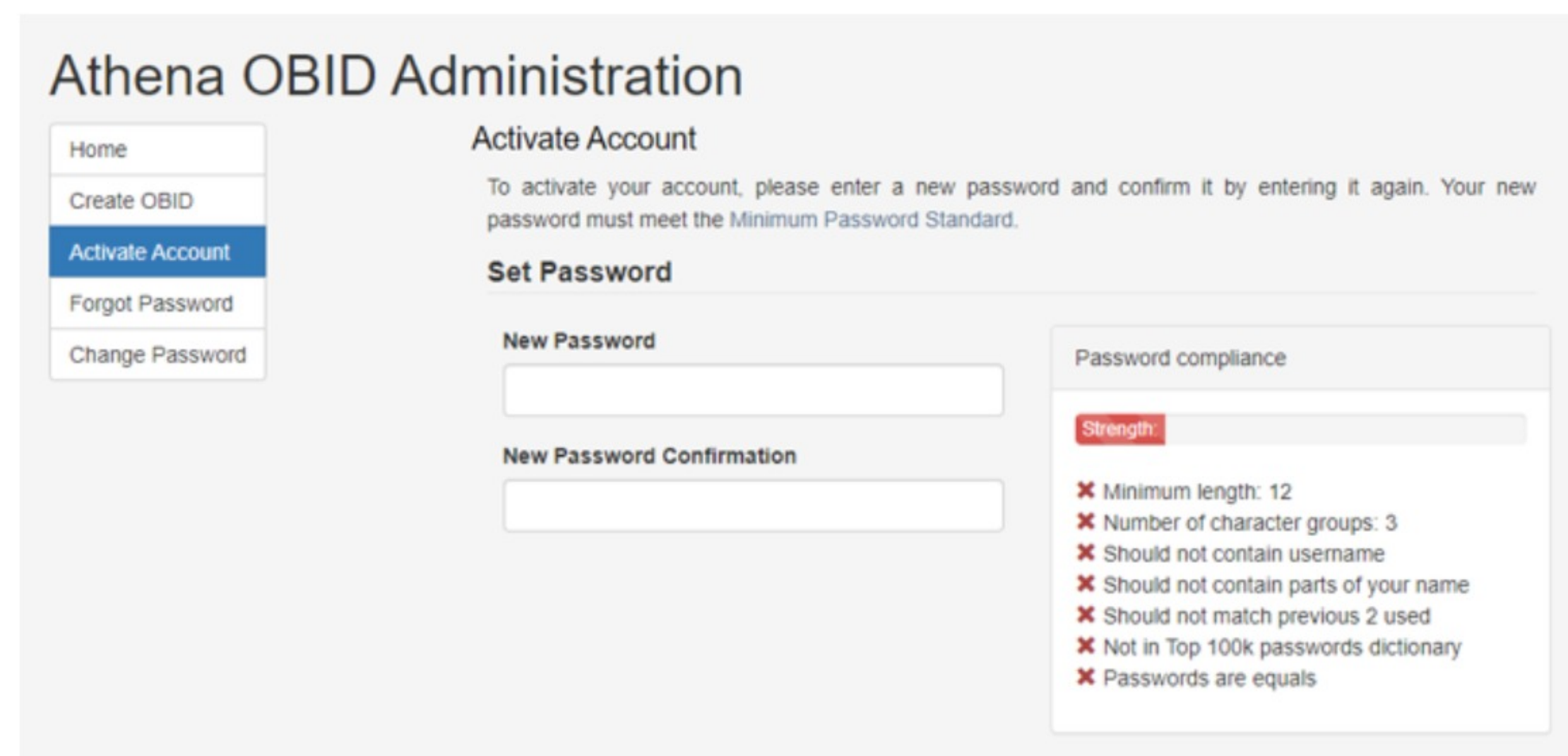
The screenshot shows the 'Log Metrics' interface in the Cirrus Console. It includes a sidebar with navigation options like 'Organization', 'Address', 'Service Providers', etc. The main content area has a 'Log Metrics' section with a 'Generate metrics reports for this organization' button. Below this are fields for 'Report Time Range' (Start, End, Last, All, Custom) and a 'Submit' button. A 'Current Report Requests' table is also visible, showing columns for 'Request Time', 'Requester Email', and 'Request Status'.

OrgBrandedID Enhancements

Cirrus Console administrators can configure many of the email messages, UI dialogs, and configure password complexity for users. Options to provide a link for accepting terms of service and providing end user feedback for meeting password complexity rules will be released shortly.

Required Information

First accept the terms of service described here:
[Review terms of service](#)



The screenshot shows the 'Athena OBID Administration' interface. It has a sidebar with 'Home', 'Create OBID', 'Activate Account', 'Forgot Password', and 'Change Password'. The main content area is titled 'Activate Account' and contains a 'Set Password' form. The form has fields for 'New Password' and 'New Password Confirmation'. To the right of the form is a 'Password compliance' section with a list of requirements: Minimum length: 12, Number of character groups: 3, Should not contain username, Should not contain parts of your name, Should not match previous 2 used, Not in Top 100K passwords dictionary, Passwords are equals.

Cirrus Identity Customer Highlights

Welcome to New and Expanding Customers!

We are happy to announce that we will be working with the following institutions to streamline access:

- Claremont McKenna College
- Stevens Institute of Technology
- University of North Carolina, Wilmington
- Western Carolina University



New Authentication Proxy Implementations

The first half of 2022 has been busy for Cirrus and our customers! We have several institutions that have implemented the Cirrus Authentication Proxy to:

- Streamline access for users from affiliated institutions to easily access applications (like RedCap and or Huron Research Compliance) with the affiliated institution's username and password. This makes research collaboration and compliance much easier!
- Support one login experience for institutions that have incorporated multiple Identity Providers - one for students and one for faculty/staff.
- State systems that have created a private federation amongst their institutions - campuses, labs and medical schools.

If you're interested in hearing more about the Cirrus Authentication Proxy, feel free to reach out to sales@cirrusidentity.com.

Executive Letter from Dedra Chamberlin, CEO

I hope you are enjoying your summer and able to take some time off! During the summer, we know the Identity and Access Management teams are busy getting systems patched and all those new students added and graduating students off-boarded to start the Fall semester. As usual, there is never a dull moment in higher ed identity! If you'd like to brainstorm how to streamline access through those account lifecycle changes, we are here to help!



Have a wonderful back-to-school season, and we look forward to seeing people in person this year at EDUCAUSE in October and the Internet 2 Technology Exchange in December. We especially hope to see many of you at our first ever user group meeting before TechEx. We'll have more information on how to register coming up soon!



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