Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) in the NCEdCloud IAM Service

(MFA Rollout for Privileged NCEdCloud Accounts)

Introduction to MFA for NCEdCloud Privileged Users

As a part of continuing efforts to enhance the security posture of statewide IT systems, and due to the access NCEdCloud <u>LEA Administrators and LEA Data Auditors</u> have to student and employee data, Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) will now be required for users with either of these roles in the NCEdCloud IAM Service. NCDPI will be rolling out MFA for these privileged users statewide on Thursday, May 9th, 2019. This is a first step towards expanding similar security measures to educators and administrators with privileged access to staff and student data.

The following slides will introduce you to the One-Time Password (OTP) setup screen, the "Reset OTP" button for LEA Administrators, and provide links to the apps used to obtain the 6-digit code needed when you login to the NCEdCloud.

Links to MFA Apps (Mobile Devices or Desktop)

"Google Authenticator" app:

(Android) https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.google.android.apps.authenticator2 (iPhone) https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/google-authenticator/id388497605?mt=8

"RapidIdentity" app:

(Android) https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.idauto.rim.xamarin.android&hl=en_US (iPhone) https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/rapididentity/id1230131130?mt=8

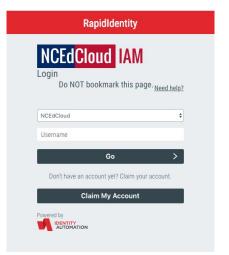
"Authy Desktop" authenticator:

(Home page) https://authy.com/
(Download page) https://authy.com/download/

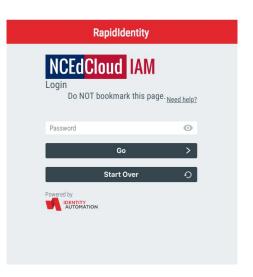
Setting Up MFA One-Time Password

When MFA is activated for your LEA or Charter School on May 9th, you will need to set up a **One-Time Password (OTP)** the first time you login.

Access my.ncedcloud.org and enter Username

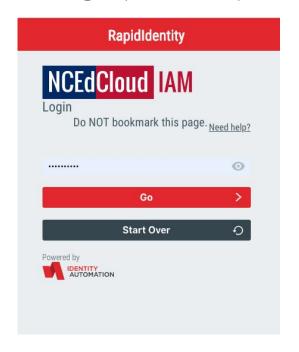


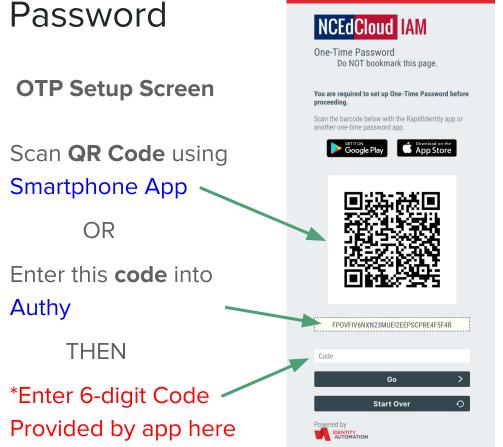
Enter **Password**



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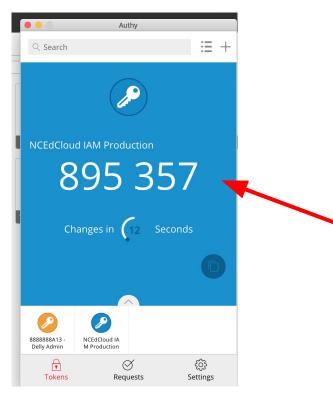
Login (click "Go")



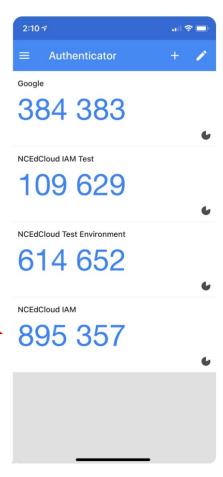


RapidIdentity

Authentication App View



Authy Desktop



Google Authenticator

Ongoing MFA Login

After your **One-Time Password** is set up for your account, you will be presented with a 3rd screen after you click "Go" on the password screen, every time you login to NCEdCloud:

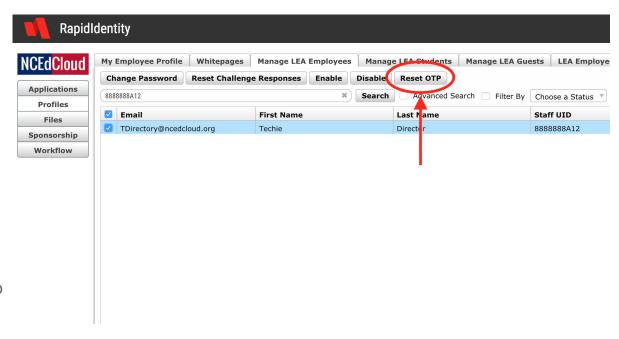
RapidIdentity NCEdCloud IAM One-Time Password Do NOT bookmark this page. Enter your 6-digit code from your authentication Go app Start Over

New "Reset OTP" Button for LEA Administrators

Only LEA Administrators will have this functionality (e.g. user gets a new phone, deletes their app, etc.)

To reset a user's OTP, enter their UID in the search field, click Search, and check the user checkbox. Then click on "Reset OTP".

The user will then be presented with the One-Time Password setup screen at their next login.



MFA Resources on the NCEdCloud Website

NCEdCloud MFA Webpage:

Information, documents, links, etc. on the NCEdCloud MFA rollout webpage: https://ncedcloud.mcnc.org/mfa

How to Identify Users with Privileged Roles:

Finding Users with Privileged Roles in NCEdCloud

Instruction Guides for setting up Authentication Applications

Setting up your OTP with Google Authenticator

Setting up your OTP with RapidIdentity

Setting up your OTP with Authy Desktop

FAQs

Why is MFA being required for NCEdCloud?

MFA is being added as additional security to protect employee and student data files. Employees with LEA Administrator and LEA Data Auditor roles have access to these files.

Who will be required to use Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) in NCEdCloud?

At this time, only employees with **LEA Administrator** or **LEA Data Auditor**privileged roles will be required to use MFA and enter a One-Time Password (OTP) with each login to NCEdCloud.

Will I be required to use my personal phone to obtain the 6-digit code to enter?

It depends. You have two options to obtain the 6-digit code required at login - an app that runs on a mobile device (phone or tablet), or a desktop version (Authy) that runs on your laptop.

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Do I need to provide my mobile phone number to set up MFA?

It depends on the app. Both the Google Authenticator and RapidIdentity app that run on your mobile device use a time-based one-time password (TOTP) algorithm to provide a valid 6-digit code (it is not texted to your phone). However, Authy requires that you enter your cell number when installing and registering the app.

Will other roles be required to use MFA in the NCEdCloud in the future?

Yes. Eventually MFA will be implemented for all privileged roles in the NCEdCloud IAM Service, including LEA Help Desk and LEA Student Help Desk.

What devices is the Authy Desktop authenticator compatible with?

The Authy Desktop Authenticator is available for both Windows and macOS and there is a Chrome extension available to install it on Chromebooks. There is also a mobile app version available (like Google Authenticator and Rapidldentity), that runs on Android and iOS.

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How often will I need to enter my OTP?

The short answer is once per day. You are required to enter your OTP (6-digit code) the first time you open a session (login) to the NCEdCloud IAM Service. If you completely shut down your browser during the day, or change devices, you will need to re-enter your OTP.

How long do I have to enter the 6-digit code from my app into the OTP screen? Each 6-digit code generated by any of the authentication applications is good for 30 seconds from the time it is first displayed. Most apps have a timer that shows you how long you have until the code "expires". If you only have a few seconds left, it is best to wait for a new code to be generated so you have time to enter it into the NCEdCloud OTP login screen.

Questions?

MFA Website: ncedcloud.mcnc.org/mfa

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