How to Run Windows Backup from a Command Prompt to a URL

In order to use Windows Backup to backup to a URL in older version of Windows server 2008 you have to use Windows backup from the command line using â€œWBadmin.exeâ€(more info on WBAdmin can be found at this link http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/cc754015.aspx). A scheduled task can then Â be created to for nightly unattended backups.

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1. Determine/create a network location for Windows backup to backup to.
2. Create user on both the source and destination location making it part of the **Backup Users Group** on the source system and just read/write on destination.
3. Copy the following command into run line for testing: Â **powershell â€“command wbadmin start backup -backupTarget:\\<*Server name or Â IP Addrerss*>\<Share location > -user:<*username*> -password:<*Password*> Â -include:c: -vssFull â€“quiet** Â Â note: make sure you change variable. This will start Windows Backup (**wbadmin**) it will back up the C: drive (**-include:C:**) using a full Volume Shadow Service Â (**-vssfull**) to a network share (**-backupTarget:\\<*Server name or Â IP Addrerss*>\<Share location >**) Â in quiet mode (**â€“quiet**)
4. If test is successful create a scheduled task and paste the working command in to the Program/script box
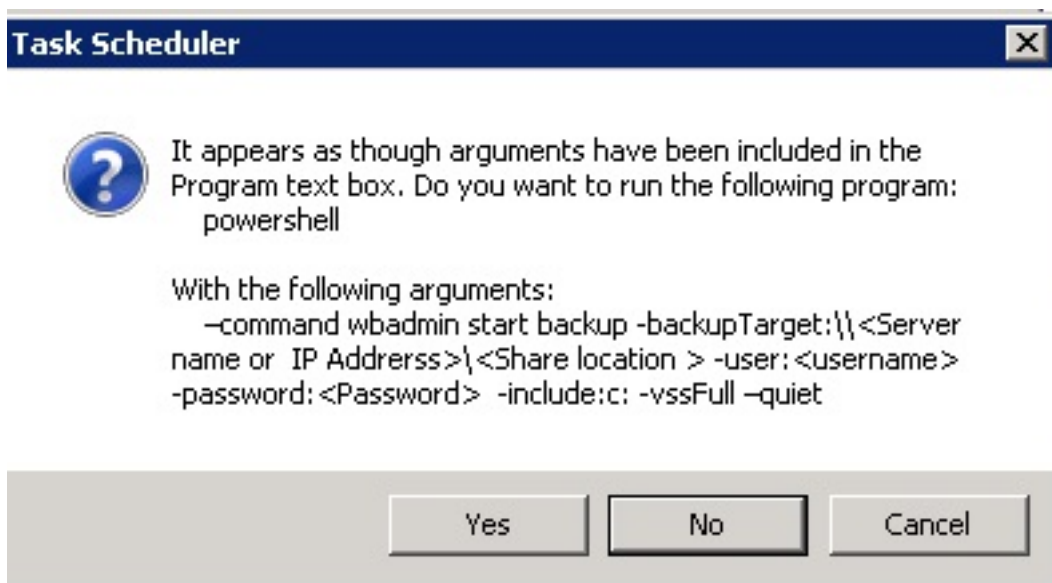
5. Click yes pop up window.

6. Before clicking Finish on Â task schedule**,** check box next toâ€ Open the Properties Dialog for this Task when I click finishâ€

7. On the â€œ**General**â€ Â tab click the radial buttonÂ **â€œRun whether user is logged on or not**â€ Â andÂ **â€œRun with highest privileges**â€
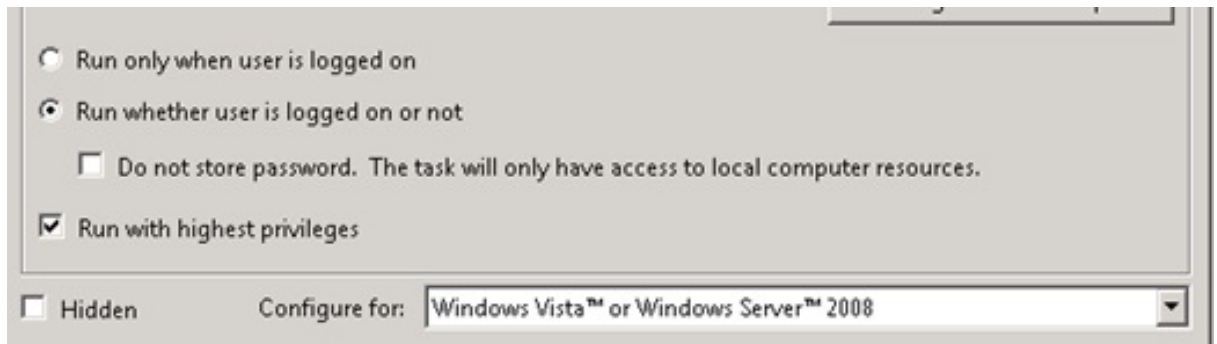
8. Click ok then enter the credentials you created in step 1 (Remember you will use computername/username formatâ€