# Cyber Security Starts with

## **YOU!**

- Is your computer up-to-date...Patch it to protect it!
- Did you lock your computer...Lock it when you leave it!
- Are you cyber secure...Be more secure!
- Is your password "strong"...Create strong passwords and don't share it!

Use the Right Tools...
...Follow the Right Behavior



Be Safe than Sorry!

**Defend Your Computer** 



Do Your Part...
...Educate Yourself,
Educate Others

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**Use Strong Passwords** 

Tips for Protecting Personal Information. Yours and Other's





### What to Do if Security Problems Occur?

- When using e-mail or other web services, you may encounter spam, phishing scams, obscene material, aggressive behavior or theft of your account or identity. When this occurs:
  - Report immediately to the service (e.g. look for Report Abuse link or email abuse@domain.edu, etc.)
  - Report immediately to the Office of Information Technology Services
- 2. If any sensitive non-public data has been compromised because of theft or loss of a computer or a laptop, portable device, breach of network security or through any other means try your best to minimize the damage and:
  - Report it immediately to the Office of Information Technology Services
  - Change all passwords immediately for network accesses and devices after they have been found
  - For smartphones and PDAs, contact the service provider for help in wiping the data from the device.
     For college owned devices contact Office of Information Technology Services

#### More Resources...

CUNY's Office of Information Security

http://security.cuny.edu

Office of Inspector General

www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/oig/misused/idtheft.html

Federal Trade Commission – Identity Theft

www.consumer.gov/idtheft/

US Department of Justice – Identity Theft & Fraud

www.usdoj.gov/criminal/fraud/websites/idtheft.html

Identity Theft Prevention and Survival

www.identitytheft.org/

Privacy Rights Clearinghouse - Identity Theft Resources

www.privacyrights.org/identity.htm

FTC -When Bad Things Happen to Your Good Name

http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/menus/consumers/data/idt.shtm

CERT Coordination Center – Home Computer Security

www.cert.org/homeusers/HomeComputerSecurity/

National Cyber Security Alliance Guide

www.staysafeonline.org/for-higher-education

Security Tools & Resources and Free Security Check Ups

www.staysafeonline.org/toold-resources

Microsoft - Maintain Your Privacy

www.microsoft.com/athome/security/privacy/

EFF's - Top 12 Ways to Protect Your Online Privacy

www.eff.org/Privacy/eff\_privacy\_top\_12.html

CDT's - Top 10 Ways to Protect Privacy Online

www.cdt.org/privacy/guide/

BBB Online (Better Business Bureau) - Privacy Tips

www.bbbonline.org/UnderstandingPrivacy/toolbox/tips.asp

Microsoft - Chat and Messaging Safety

www.microsoft.com/athome/security/chat/

#### **Basic Security Tips**

- 1. Choose a strong password and protect it. Use a different password for each online account.
- 2. Backup your computer files regularly.
- 3. Be careful which sites or services you access when using a public wireless network.
- 4. Change default password on your home wireless router to a long complex password.
- 5. Be sure your computer or laptop has security software tools (e.g. Symantec Antivirus, etc.) and is updated with security patches.
- 6. Do not leave laptop unattended in public areas.
- 7. Use caution when using public computers.
- 8. Turn your computer off when not in use.

#### **Online Shopping and Banking**

- Limit online shopping to merchants you know and trust.
- 2. Pay your online purchases with a credit card or an online payment service.
- Keep a paper trail of purchases and check your bank and credit card statements regularly.
- 4. Look for "https" or "shttp" at the beginning of a web address (URL) and a closed padlock beside it.
- 5. Don't provide financial information or social security numbers through email.
- 6. Before you share personal information, ask
  - Who's going to see it?
  - What is the value of it?
  - Why do they need to see it?

#### **Downloads & File Sharing**

- 1. Be wary of installing free downloadable software.
- 2. Practice caution when using free file-sharing programs.
- 3. Be alert to phishing scams in email, Web or social networking sites.
- 4. Don't follow email links or pop-up ads that claim your computer is infected and offer anti-virus software ("scareware") with fake security warnings.
- 5. Don't download pirated software, music and movies.

#### **Data Security at Kingsborough**

- 1. Encrypt all sensitive data on your computer using encryption software such as PGP.
- Lock your computer every time you leave your desk. Set up a screen saver with preset time out and password protection.
- 3. Allow access to systems and sensitive non-public data to only those who need it.
- 4. Backup your data regularly.
- 5. Be cautious when you print or copy sensitive nonpublic information — do not leave it in an open area and shred it when not in use.
- Strictly follow CUNY security policies, procedures and advisories (<a href="http://security.cuny.edu">http://security.cuny.edu</a>), and report violations and issues when they occur to the IT department.
- 7. Don't give out your social security number to any college department unless it is absolutely necessary.

#### **Social Networking**

- 1. Be cautious how much personal information you provide.
- 2. Learn and use privacy settings on social networks.
- 3. Protect your reputation on social networks.
- 4. Limit your social network to "real" friends.

#### **Protect Data on Portable Devices**

(Smartphones, e-Readers, PDAs, Flash Drives, Memory Sticks, etc.)

- 1. If it is not necessary, don't copy the information on the portable device.
- 2. Encrypt files or the entire disk on the device.
- 3. Use a strong password on all the devices and lock the keypad when not in use.
- 4. Turn off Bluetooth and Wi-Fi when not using it.
- 5. Be sure to backup all the critical information.
- 6. Avoid unsecured Wi-Fi networks.
- 7. Before discarding wipe the device clean.
- 8. Store your devices securely when not in use.

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