# **National Cyber** Awareness Month:

# **OWN YOUR ONLINE SAFETY!**

It's National Cybersecurity Awareness Month, OWN your digital profile and online safety.

The number of devices connected to the Internet is increasing at an exponential rate, and this makes it even more important to understand your digital profile and the potential for cybersecurity threats. OWN your online safety by taking proactive steps to ensure your information is secure.

Internet-based devices are present in every aspect of our lives: at home, school, work, and on the go. Constant connection provides opportunities for innovation and modernization, but it also presents the potential for cybersecurity threats that can compromise your most important personal information. OWN IT.



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#### **ONLINE PRIVACY TIPS**

# **Knowledge is key!**

Understand the devices and applications you use every day to help keep you and your information safe and secure.

#### Beware of free internet.

Avoid the use of free or open Wi-Fi networks, which cybercriminals often exploit.

# Double your login protection.

Enable multi-factor authentication (MFA) for your personal accounts where possible to ensure that the only person who has access to your account is you.

### Play hard to get with strangers.

Links in email and online posts are often the way cybercriminals compromise your computer. If you're unsure who an email is from - even if the details appear accurate do not respond, and do not click on any links or attachments found in that email. Use the Report Phishing button in Outlook to report these emails.

#### Think before you act.

Be wary of communications that implore you to act immediately. Many phishing emails attempt to create a sense of urgency, causing the recipient to fear their account or information is in jeopardy.

## Protect your personal information.

If people contacting you have key details from your life – your job title, multiple email addresses, full name, and more that you may have published online somewhere - they can attempt a direct spear-phishing attack on you. Cyber criminals can also use social engineering with these details to try to manipulate you into skipping normal security protocols.

For more information about cybersecurity, please visit https://staysafeonline.org/ncsam/