A long password is a strong password.

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Tips:

- 15 + characters in a password are better
- Don't share passwords
- Use phrases to help recall long passwords
- Use different passwords for different accounts (Banks, Education, Social Media, etc.)

Don't get hooked by phishing

Phishing attacks account for the majority of breaches

Phishing: Practice of deceitful and fraudulent messaging from untrustworthy entities and bad actors trying to obtain personal information such as passwords, credit cards, data, home address, bank accounts, and many other personal identifiable information that would otherwise be confidential.

See something, report it immediately to :   **phishing_abuse@alamo.edu**

TIPS:

- Think before you click….
- Don't share personal information
- Beware of suspicious names or emails
- Delete, ignore, or block Clickbait
- Report suspicious emails to **phishing_abuse@alamo.edu**
- When in doubt, call the sender to verify information

Wait! Don't click and take the bait!

You won't believe...This one weird trick...This will blow your mind...You need to see this... The shocking truth about...The secret to...This will change your life...You've been doing it wrong... This is why you're...You'll never guess what...This is the best/worst/most amazing... The number one reason you need to...This will make you...Finally, a way to...
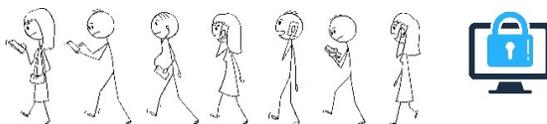
Clickbait – attention getters that tricks your clicks to cause a redirection of attention. The trick is to get users to make bad clicks that potentially allows access to accounts, computers, networks, work files, data, or much, much more.

Tip:

- Delete, ignore, or block Clickbait.
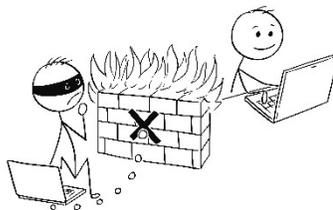- Avoid attention getting distractions.

Lock it when you walk it!

Tips:

1. **Make it a habit to always lock computer/s when stepping away.**
2. **Keyboard Shortcut**
   a. **Windows Button + L**
   b. **Apple menu > Lock Screen.**

If you don't update, your data is up for debate

Windows:	Start > Settings > Update & Security > Windows Update > Check for updates.
Macs:	Apple > system setting > general > software update

TIPS:

- Computer updates are necessary to patch security gaps
- Check for updates weekly – power-on, run, update, and protect
- Identity and data theft/loss is costly to repair

You can't backtrack to prevent an attack!

Keep your digital ID secure, that's the cure

Be aware of your digital identity online – Stolen identities are hard to get it back.

Tips

- Take your digital identity and footprint serious
- Use different passwords for different accounts (Banks, Education, Social Media, etc.)
- Use a password manager

Information Security Awareness Training

Help prevent unintentional compromises of sensitive information and computing systems

- o Be cyber vigilant and aware of updates on:
  - Information security at work and home
  - Information security practices in place, and
  - Related policy
- o Required to Take it Yearly - Starts October 1
- o Required to maintain high standards for Cybersecurity Insurance

Technology Support Workorders

Technology at your Fingertips!

1. Employee Portal (ACES):   Footprints
2. Helpdesk phone: 210-486-2777
3. Email: SPC-Helpdesk@alamo.edu