# CyberSmart 2025

Protecting Our World, One Click at a Time













# HOUSEKEEPING & PARTICIPATION















Microphones and cameras are muted.

Use the Q&A feature in MS Teams to submit questions.

Slides & resources will be shared after the session. Links will also be posted in the chat.

Share key takeaways on social media with #CyberSmart2025.

If you experience issues message us in the chat. Try rejoining the session if the audio/video drops.

This session is being recorded.

### **AGENDA**

- Icebreaker
- History of Cybersecurity
  Awareness Month
- What is Cybersecurity
- 4 Key Behaviors
- Interactive Game
- Resources & Upcoming Sessions



# ICE BREAKER



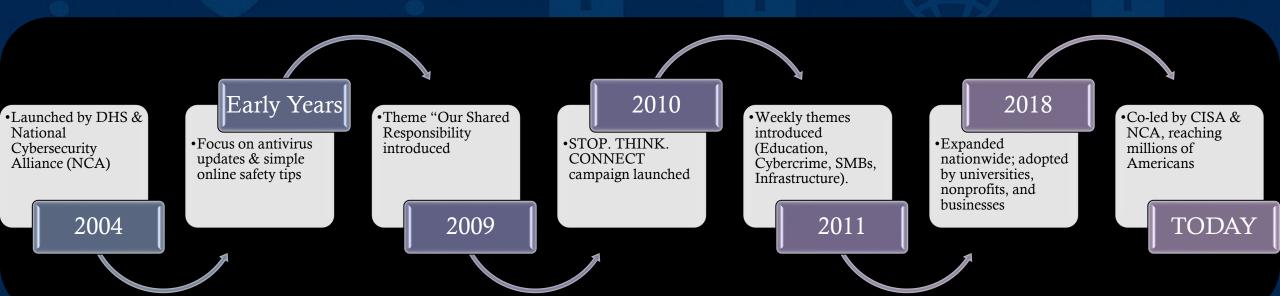
Type in the chat one (1) word that comes to mind when you hear "Cybersecurity"



# CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH



### **HISTORY**



### WHAT IS CYBERSECURITY?



**Definition:** Protection of systems, networks, and data from unauthorized access, attacks, or damage.

#### Why it matters:

- Prevents data breaches & financial loss
- Protects critical infrastructure & public safety
- Builds trust with customers & partners

Wherever there is technology, there needs to be cybersecurity.

### **4 KEY BEHAVIORS**

1



Update
 Software

2



- Use Strong Passwords
- Use a Password Manager

3



 Turn on Multifactor Authentication (MFA) 4



 Recognize & Report Scams

**DISCUSSION** 

Are we doing these things, and are they documented in our cybersecurity policy? Is there room for improvement?

### **UPDATE SOFTWARE**



#### What should you remember about updates?

- Updates are the easiest way to ensure your devices and apps are protected from the latest threats.
- Updates only protect you if you install them, so:
  - Install them right away.
    (Don't click "remind me later.")
  - Enable automatic updates for convenience.

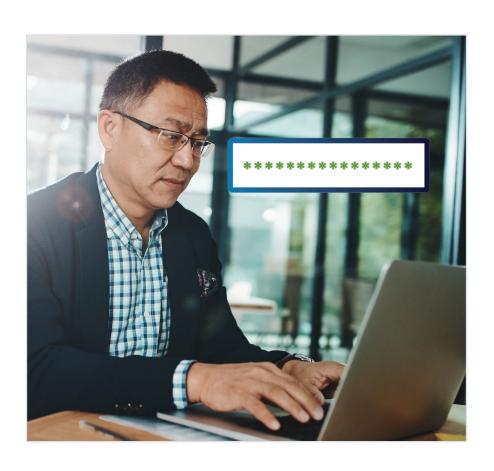
### **UPDATE SOFTWARE**



#### Where do you find available updates?

- Notifications: Check for notifications on your phone or your computer.
- Settings: Look in your phone, browser or app settings.
- Check the upper corner of your browser for any alerts.
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### **USE STRONG PASSWORDS**



#### What makes a strong password?

- Long:
  - At least 16 characters
- Random:
  - Upper and lower-case letters
  - Numbers
  - Special characters
  - Spaces
  - Consider passphrases (5 to 7 unrelated words).
- Unique:
  - Different for each account
  - Never reuse passwords

### USE A PASSWORD MANAGER

### Why use a password manager?

- Stores your passwords
- Alerts you of duplicate passwords
- Generates strong passwords
- Fills in your login credentials on websites to make sign-in easy.
- Won't fall for a phishing website, even if you do.



Encryption ensures that password managers never "know" what your passwords are, keeping them safe from cyberattacks.



### TURN ON MULTIFACTOR AUTHENTICATION (MFA)

### What is MFA and where should you use it?

Multifactor authentication (MFA) provides an extra layer of security for your accounts by requiring a quick second step to verify your identity when logging in.

Use MFA on every account that offers it, especially:

- Email
- Accounts with financial information (Ex. Banks, online stores)
- Accounts with personal information (Ex. Social media)

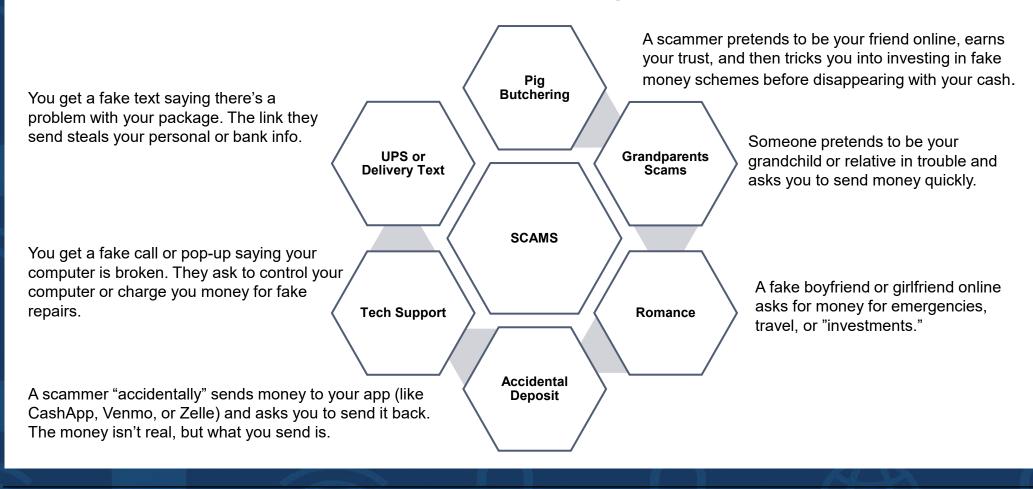
# TURN ON MULTIFACTOR AUTHENTICATION (MFA)

#### Which MFA methods are best?

Method	Description
Security Key	Use a physical security key (such as a YubiKey) to log in. It plugs in or taps your device. It provides the best protection against phishing and is easy to use.
Authenticator app with number matching	An app prompts you to enter a number on your phone. You enter a number shown on the login screen to confirm your identity.
Authenticator app with one-time code	An app generates a new code every 30 seconds.
Biometrics	Uses your fingerprint or face to confirm your identity.
Text or email code	A one-time code is sent to your phone or email. Least secure method.

### RECOGNIZE AND REPORT SCAMS

### What are some scams I should recognize?



### RECOGNIZE AND REPORT SCAMS

#### How to protect yourself from scams?

#### **Avoid Scams:**

- Never text back if the message was unexpected (Take a screenshot for evidence)
- Hang up and call back.
- Have a safe word
- Refuse to pay the suspicious way
- Be wary on social media and dating apps

#### **Report Scam to:**

- Bank or other financial institution
- Ic3.gov
- Local police department

### RECOGNIZE AND REPORT PHISHING

### What is phishing?

#### **Phishing:**

 A form of social engineering that uses email or malicious websites to solicit personal information or to get you to download malicious software by posing as a trustworthy entity..

#### **Types of Phishing:**

- Spearphishing targeted at a specific individual with key information about them.
- Whaling used to target high profile individuals to steal sensitive and high value information.
- Vishing voice communication to entice the victim to engage in conversation and build trust.
- Smishing Text messages used to entice individuals to click on a link, download files & applications, or begin a conversation.

### RECOGNIZE AND REPORT PHISHING

#### How can you tell if a message is phishing?

A tone that's urgent or makes you scared.

**Ex.** "Click this link immediately or your account will be closed."



Sender email address doesn't match the company it's coming from.

Ex. Amazon.com vs. Amaz0n.com

Unexpected communications such as an email or attachment you weren't expecting.

#### Requests to send personal info

**Ex.** Legitimate organizations don't ask for personal information through email or an unexpected call.

#### Misspelled words, bad grammar and odd URLs

Be aware that AI will make spotting these more challenging – stay diligent.

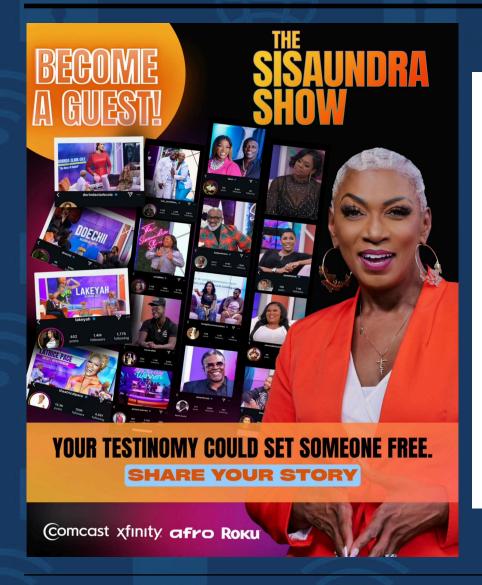
### CyberSmart 2025 - Session 1





Beginning soon.

### CYBERSMART 2025 ANNOUNCEMENTS



- Nationwide Daytime Talkshow
- LIVE at 7 PM, Monday–Friday
- Watch on AFRO TV (Comcast Xfinity Channel 1623)
- Streaming on NOW
- Tune in as I share about CyberSmart 2025 and why cybersecurity matters to everyone!

### **UPCOMING SESSIONS**

#### **Event Details**

What: CyberSmart 2025 – Free Virtual Event

When: Every Wednesday in October (1pm - 2pm) Where: Online -

Register Here (MS Teams Meeting)

#### **Sessions:**

- Oct. 8: CyberSmart 2025 Session 2: Cybersecurity & Education
- Oct. 15: CyberSmart 2025 Session 3: Small Business Spotlight
- Oct. 22: CyberSmart 2025 Session 4: Protecting Our Seniors Online
- Oct. 29: CyberSmart 2025 Session 5: Faith & Cybersecurity



Registration Page

https://skillbuilderzpt.com/cyber-smart/

### CYBERSMART 2025 AMBASSADOR

#### **Help Spread the Word**



#### We're Looking for 2025 **CyberSmart Ambassadors!**

This October, Skill Builderz LLC is hosting CyberSmart 2025: Protecting Our World, One Click at a Time—a free virtual series for Cybersecurity Awareness Month.

We want passionate individuals to help us spread the word, engage their communities, and inspire others to join the movement to #StaySafeOnline. Whether you're an emerging influencer, educator, student leader, small business owner, or community advocate—this opportunity is for you!

#### Why Become an Ambassador?

- Exclusive recognition as part of the CyberSmart community
- · Digital swag & branded social media templates
- Early access to cybersecurity resources & tip sheets
- · Spotlight opportunities on Skiil Builderz platforms

#### **Ambassador Responsibilities**

#### **Content Creation**

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#### **Event Participation**

 Attend at least one CyberSmaart 2025 session (October 1, 8, 15, 22 or 29)



#CyberSmart2025 CybersecurityAwarenessMonth #StaySafeOnline #BeCyberSmart



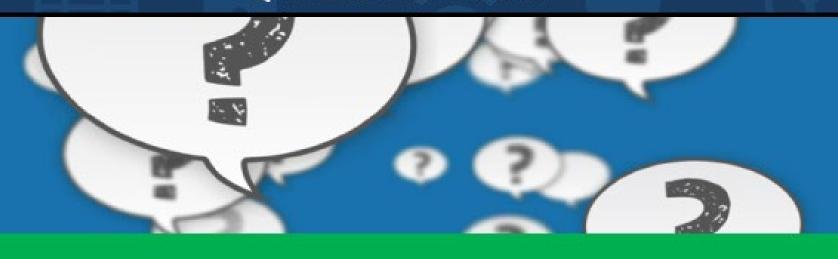


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# QUESTIONS



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### Thank you for joining!



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