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PASSWORD SAFETY

- 1. Do not use weak passwords.
- 2. Do not share your passwords.
- 3. Do not use the same password for every web site or app.
- 4. Save your password on a shared or public computer.

EMAIL AND TEXT MESSAGE SAFETY

- 1. Don't email or text your name, password, zip code, bank account, credit card, or social security number.
- 2. On an email, check the sender's email address. Does the company name match the email?
- 3. On a text, check that the message is from a 6-digit number (######) and not from a regular phone number that has 10 digits (###-######).
- 4. Check the links before you click on them.
- 5. Don't <u>click on a link</u> in an email or a text message:
 - a. that tells you that won a prize or can get something free.
 - b. that tells you to verify your account information.
 - c. that asks you to send money or to buy something.
 - d. that tells you to reschedule your delivery.

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WEB PAGE POP-UP WINDOW SAFETY

 Don't click on a pop-up window that tells you your computer has viruses or tells you that you are a winner. Close Google Chrome, restart your computer, and do not go to the web page again.

WEB PAGE ADVERTISEMENT SAFETY

- 2. Don't click on any links. Close them with the "X" if you need to.
- 3. Don't click on ads that are in Internet search results.

ONLINE SHOPPING

- 1. Only shop on websites that start with http<u>s</u>.
- 2. Be very careful if you shop on Ebay, Craigslist, Facebook Marketplace, OfferUp, LetGo, or other sites where you need to send people money using your credit card or bank account information.