

Cyber Security Twitter Chat

On Thursday, June 4, FTC staff in the Division of Consumer and Business Education participated in a Twitter chat hosted by our OnGuardOnline.gov partner, @STOPTHNKCONNECT. Staff used the FTC's primary account, @FTC, and the chat hashtag was #ChatSTC.

Note: Tweets in their original order remain on the FTC's Twitter account for as long as Twitter allows. Staff used the "Quote" feature to answer questions.

FTC staff will participate in the #ChatSTC chat today at 3pm to discuss internet safety, #idtheft, &more. Join us!

Quoted Tweet: @STOPTHNKCONNECT: Preventing #cybercrime is a shared responsibility. Learn more at our #internet #Safety Month Twitter chat 6/4, 3pm ET. Use #ChatSTC to Join

RT @STOPTHNKCONNECT Welcome to another chat in the #STOPTHNKCONNECT Twitter Chat series. #ChatSTC

RT @STOPTHNKCONNECT Our chat today is about how you can help prevent #cybercrime in honor of #Internet #Safety Month. #ChatSTC

Hi, everyone! This is Nicole & Aditi from the FTC. Happy to be here! #ChatSTC

Quoted Tweet: @STOPTHNKCONNECT: Guests, please introduce yourselves! #ChatSTC

#Cybercrime = phishing, #IDtheft, hacking, imposter scams...See OnGuardOnline: go.usa.gov/35NnW. #ChatSTC

Quoted Tweet: @STOPTHNKCONNECT: What is #cybercrime exactly, and what are some examples of the different types of cybercrime? #ChatSTC

Criminals exploit vulnerabilities – weak passwords, outdated software, & public Wi-Fi. #ChatSTC

Quoted Tweet: @STOPTHNKCONNECT: What do #cyber criminals usually look for when planning their crimes? #ChatSTC

Criminals steal credit & debit card info to run up charges. Lost or stolen info? See go.usa.gov/3XGmP #ChatSTC

Quoted Tweet: @STOPTHNKCONNECT: What kinds of information do these cybercriminals usually look for, and how do they use it in their crimes? #ChatSTC

Info exposed in a data breach can be used for #IDtheft. Visit go.usa.gov/3XGmP to find out what you can do. #ChatSTC

RT @STOPTHNKCONNECT @FTC Thanks for the great resource! We're excited about identitytheft.gov. #ChatSTC

1 sign of #IDtheft? Notice from IRS saying u filed multiple tax returns. More signs: go.usa.gov/3XGt3 #ChatSTC

Quoted Tweet: @STOPTHNKCONNECT: But what signs might we see if our information has been compromised by an #identity theft? #ChatSTC

If you see accounts that you don't recognize on your credit report, it could be #IDtheft. More signs at <http://go.usa.gov/3XGt3>. #ChatSTC

Get your free credit reports at annualcreditreport.com. Check for accounts you don't recognize. #ChatSTC #IDtheft

Quoted Tweet: @STOPTHNKCONNECT: What steps can you take to protect your #identity and help prevent becoming a victim of #IDtheft? #ChatSTC

Monitor credit card and bank accounts for charges you don't recognize. Visit ftc.gov/idtheft for more tips. #ChatSTC

Shred documents with personal and financial info. More tips for protecting your identity at go.usa.gov/35nNT #ChatSTC

Visit go.usa.gov/35q3P for online safety tips for stalking victims. #ChatSTC

Quoted Tweet: @STOPTHNKCONNECT: How can you protect yourself and your loved ones from #cyberbullying, #harassment & #stalking #online? #ChatSTC

Stalkers can install spyware to hack into email, use Bluetooth/GPS for tracking, & secretly turn on a device's camera/microphone. #ChatSTC

Teach kids to stand up to cyberbullies for themselves and others. Share this #cyberbullying video w/kids: go.usa.gov/3Xhzh. #ChatSTC

Scammers create msgs & sites that look like they're from someone you know, the govt, or a well-known biz. #ChatSTC

If a msg asks you to verify your SSN, password or credit card number, don't reply. It's a #phishing #scam: go.usa.gov/355Ms. #ChatSTC

Test your skills at spotting a #phishing #scam by playing this game: go.usa.gov/35qgT #ChatSTC

If a criminal has ur info, check ur credit reports & monitor accounts. More tips at go.usa.gov/3XGmP. #ChatSTC

Quoted Tweet: @STOPTHNKCONNECT: What steps should a #cybercrime victim take to resolve the situation? #ChatSTC

If a criminal has your login info, change your passwords right away. More tips at go.usa.gov/3XGmP. #ChatSTC

OnGuardOnline.gov has tips to help you avoid online scams, viruses and hacked accounts. #ChatSTC

Visit our new site identitytheft.gov to report and recover from #IDtheft. #ChatSTC

Quoted Tweet: @STOPTHNKCONNECT: What resources do you recommend for reporting #cybercrime? #ChatSTC

Recovering from #IDtheft is easier with a plan. <http://www.identitytheft.gov> can help. #ChatSTC

Secure ur computer from hackers, scammers & #IDTheft. Watch this video to learn how: <http://go.usa.gov/35nAV> #ChatSTC

Quoted Tweet: @STOPTHNKCONNECT: What are three things we all can do to prevent #cybercrime in our daily lives? #ChatSTC

Want to learn how to spot and avoid #scams? Check out the FTC's #scamalerts. It's free to sign up: go.usa.gov/355hH. #ChatSTC

Using public Wi-Fi? Don't share info over sites that aren't secure. More tips on using Wi-Fi safely at go.usa.gov/355Gu. #ChatSTC

Wondering what personal & Financial documents to shred? Check out this infographic: go.usa.gov/35Nmd. #ChatSTC

Thanks for having us @StopThnkConnect! This was a great chat. #ChatSTC

Quoted Tweet: @STOPTHNKCONNECT: Thanks to everyone who joined us today for another great #ChatSTC Twitter chat!