



CYBER AWARENESS MONTH

Week 2: Pay attention to your home network and Wi-Fi connections

Safe and secure Wi-Fi connections are just as important as having secure devices and online accounts.

Nowadays most devices are connected to the internet through our home network, our school or office network, a data plan, or a public Wi-Fi hotspot. Many of the applications installed on our devices require an internet connection to access online services and function properly. Our devices will often look to connect to available Wi-Fi hotspots irrespective of whether that Wi-Fi connection is safe or not. It is up to the device user to ensure appropriate security and safety measures are taken when connecting to public Wi-Fi hotspots or deciding not to connect.

HOME NETWORK

[Secure your home network](#) and actively managing it. Considering upgrading your network router every 3-5 years to take advantage of improvements in security features.



CONNECTED DEVICES

Take stock of devices connected to your home network and monitoring for unusual activity.

GUEST NETWORK

Setup a guest network for your friends and visiting family members to separate their access and activity from all your home devices.

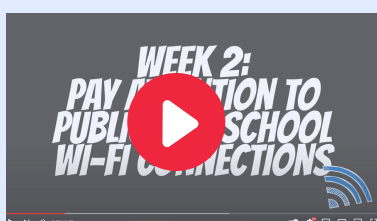


SEPARATE NETWORK

Setup a separate network for your smart devices, so if compromises occur, the threat remains isolated from your personal devices that contain personal and sensitive information.

AVOID UNTRUSTED WI-FI

[Avoid untrusted public Wi-Fi access](#); use a personal data plan or personal hotspot or use [VPN](#) when having to connect through an untrusted Wi-Fi hotspot.



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