



IT INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

Cyber Attack / Phishing Event

The Information Technology Department has seen a significant increase in phishing attacks and attempts at delivering a malicious payload throughout the San Luis Valley over the past week.

While clumsy by today's standards, these attacks have been able to pull officials names and business names from websites and previously published emails.

Cyber security training is suggested to help identify these types of attacks. Hovering over a known individual's name and looking at the actual email address is recommended. Just because the NAME is something your recognize, such as Police@cc.monte-vista.co.us doesn't mean that is where it came from nor will reply to.

Know before you click! Is our motto.

The recent attacks in the San Luis Valley seem to come from people and agencies we interact with daily. They usually contain a .zip file (to confuse the detection software companies) with an enclosed password. We recommend you do not open the .zip file and instead call the agency or individual you believe the email is from to verify it's authenticity.