

Dear KCEC Members,

KCEC's IT Department has been experiencing increased malicious online activity and the proliferation of look-alike domains. As you navigate the vast landscape of the internet, it's essential to remain vigilant and aware of potential threats that may compromise your security and privacy.

Cybercriminals have become increasingly sophisticated in their methods, creating fake websites that closely resemble legitimate ones. These deceptive sites, known as lookalike domains, are designed to trick unsuspecting users into disclosing sensitive information such as login credentials, personal data, or financial details.

Here are some key points to help you stay protected:

- Verify Website URLs: Always double-check the URL of the website you are visiting, especially when entering sensitive information. Look for subtle variations or misspellings that may indicate a fraudulent site.
- <u>Use Secure Connections:</u> Ensure that the websites you visit use HTTPS encryption, particularly when providing personal or financial information. Secure connections help protect your data from being intercepted by malicious actors.
- Exercise Caution with Emails and Links: Be wary of unsolicited emails or messages containing suspicious links. Avoid clicking on links or downloading attachments from unknown sources, as they may lead to phishing sites or malware infections.
 - Stay Informed: Stay informed about current cybersecurity threats and best practices for staying safe online. Follow reputable sources for cybersecurity news and consider participating in awareness campaigns or workshops.

WE ARE COMMITTED TO YOUR ONLINE SAFETY AND SECURITY. BY REMAINING VIGILANT AND TAKING PROACTIVE MEASURES TO PROTECT YOURSELF, YOU CAN REDUCE THE RISK OF FALLING VICTIM TO MALICIOUS ACTIVITY AND SAFEGUARD YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION.

IF YOU ENCOUNTER ANY SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY OR BELIEVE A PHISHING ATTEMPT MAY HAVE TARGETED YOU, PLEASE REPORT IT TO THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES OR CONTACT OUR SUPPORT TEAM FOR ASSISTANCE.

KCEC WANTS TO BE PROACTIVE IN KEEPING OUR MEMBERS SAFE. WE VALUE THE PRIVACY AND PROTECTION OF YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION. KCEC HAS IMPLEMENTED THE ABOVE-NATIONAL STANDARD SAFETY PROTOCOLS AND MONITORS OUR INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL NETWORKS. AS WE CONTINUE TO SEE INCREASED MALICIOUS ACTIVITY, KCEC WANTS TO ENSURE AWARENESS THROUGHOUT OUR COMMUNITIES.



