

TECH. TUESDAY

YOUR PASSWORD SUCKS

Are your passwords safe? Nwaj Tech and the Midstate Chamber of Commerce held a Tech. Tuesday session to discuss how safe or unsafe our passwords and accounts truly are. Visit the Midstate Chamber Facebook page for the full video discussion and read the tips below to keep yourself safe!



MAKE YOUR PASSWORD COMPLEX

To best protect your information and accounts, passwords are suggested to be **at least 15 characters** long. This includes using characters such as **uppercase and lowercase letters, numbers, and special characters** (i.e. **!#***). Using this method will be more secure than a standard, easy to guess password.



SINGLE FACTOR AUTHENTICATION = BAD.

When protecting your account password and information, aim to use MFAs or multi-factor authentication. This could be sites that offer a one-time, one-use password each time you log in.



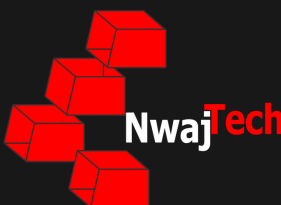
DO NOT REUSE PASSWORDS

We find it very easy to reuse passwords, however, this makes it very easy for individuals to hack into multiple accounts rather than one. Stick to creating one password that will be **unique** and **complex** for each account.

SAVE

THERE ARE OPTIONS TO CREATE AND SAVE COMPLEX PASSWORD

Websites and applications such as LastPass and 1password.com are great options for password management. These applications will securely store your complex passwords that may be difficult to remember.



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