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Massive Phishing Attack On Businesses with Evil New Ransomware Strain

The Scarab ransomware strain is updated again and spreads via Necurs botnet in a massive 12.5 million campaign, mostly targeting .com domains.



Scarab was spotted June 2017 for the first time, appending the .scarab file extension to the files. Later it was updated and started using .scorpio suffix to make files inaccessible.

The current campaign is spreading a third updated version of the ransomware which in order to prevent users from using third-party recovery tools, deletes Shadow Volume Copies and other default Windows recovery features.



When Is a Simple Data Backup Not Enough?

You know you need data backup, but when do you need a business continuity solution?



If you've been paying attention to the news, you'll know that massive global ransomware attacks are only growing in scale and frequency. These attacks and other threats and accidents that cripple, ransom, or destroy organizations' data are a convincing argument for a solid backup solution. Restoring from a data backup is often the only reliable way to recover from these events. Even smaller organizations and businesses know that they need some sort of backup solution now. But when do you need more than a regular data backup?



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Holliston Public School District Background:

Holliston Public Schools is a school district in Middlesex County, MA which is comprised of 4 schools and a student enrollment of approximately 2900 students.

Technology plays an integral role within the district. The Holliston Public Schools has been expanding its technology-rich learning environments across all four schools.

District Needs : Implementing a 1:1 Initiative to Put a Device into the Hands of Every Student

Holliston Public Schools was looking to implement a 1:1 initiative at the Middle School for 650+ students. The program would allow every student to have their own device and be completely engaged in the classroom with their instructor.



Just for Laughs...



Monthly Quote

"The two words 'information' and 'communication' are often used interchangeably, but they signify quite different things. Information is giving out; communication is getting through."

-- Sydney J. Harris

Business Continuity Tip

Better be wary: Avoid scams this holiday season

The holidays have begun and that means many of us are doing our holiday shopping online. While avoiding the large crowds and busy traffic is great, be wary of holiday shopping scams online. This is a lucrative time not only for online retailers, but also cybercriminals.

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