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TO THE ADMINISTRATOR ADDRESSED:

SUBJECT: Cybersecurity Tips and Tools Webinar Series

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) would like to inform school districts and open-enrollment charter schools of an upcoming opportunity to participate in a series of webinars being conducted by TEA. The webinars will be led by TEA's Chief Information Security Officer, Frosty Walker, in collaboration with the Data Security Advisory Committee (DSAC) to provide insight regarding the resources available at the Cybersecurity Tips and Tools section of the Texas Gateway portal.

Data Security Advisory Committee
The DSAC, consisting of members of school districts and Education Service Centers (ESCs), provides guidance to Texas education communities on maximizing collaboration and communication regarding information security issues and resources. The DSAC has reviewed and recommended the Cybersecurity Tips and Tools, which have been shared on the portal.

Date/Time	Cybersecurity Tips and Tools – Crisis Communication during a Cybersecurity Incident
Wednesday, September 12, 2018 1:00 pm –2:00 pm CST Webinar Registration https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4012650485383038209 contact information frosty.walker@tea.texas.gov	The September 12th webinar provides information around communication needs during a cybersecurity incident. Internal, external and communications with the media in a crisis are difficult tasks. This presentation will cover processes for better communications during your incident and the efforts your organization is taking to resolve the issue. Representatives interested in information security issues and resources, which can be utilized within the education communities, are encouraged to attend.

Date/Time	Cybersecurity Tips and Tools - Practice, Practice, Practice
Wednesday, October 17, 2018 1:00 pm –2:00 pm CST Webinar Registration https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6829329895396405761 contact information frosty.walker@tea.texas.gov	The October 17th webinar provides information which can be used to perform cybersecurity incident exercises. These exercises will help you identify any gaps in your incident response plan which might need attention should there be a real cybersecurity incident. Practicing will help your organization be better prepared for successfully preventing, detecting, responding to, and recovering from a cybersecurity incident. Representatives interested in information security issues and resources, which can be utilized within the education communities, are encouraged to attend.

Date/Time	Cybersecurity Tips and Tools – Website Hardening
Wednesday, November 28, 2018 1:00 pm –2:00 pm CST Webinar Registration https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8691964165500152833 contact information frosty.walker@tea.texas.gov	The November 28th webinar provides information on improving your websites and ways to help protect the information shared on them. This presentation will cover some of the key steps that can be taken to improve your websites' cybersecurity posture. Representatives interested in information security issues and resources, which can be utilized within the education communities, are encouraged to attend.

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