

# Cyber Security Awareness Month 2024

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We're excited to kick off our annual Cyber Security Awareness Month (CSAM) this October! Join us for a month packed with cyber-savvy tips, challenges, and the chance to win exciting prizes. Cybersecurity is crucial in today's digital age, and CSAM is here to help you stay safe online. This page provides you with all the details on how you can participate and make the most of this important initiative!

## What is Cyber Security Awareness Month (CSAM)?

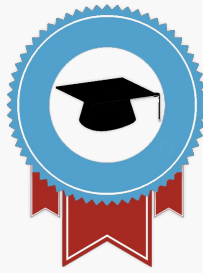
CSAM is an annual event held around the world every October to raise awareness for cybersecurity and protect people from the rise of cyberattacks.

Check out the exciting activities Seneca has lined up to boost your cybersecurity skills and keep you safe online! Plus, drop by our booth when we're on campus this month for valuable cybersecurity tips and resources!

Tuesday, Oct. 1 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Newnham Campus Service Hub  
Thursday, Oct. 3 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. in front of the Seneca@York Library  
Tuesday, Oct. 8 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. in front of the King Campus Library  
Thursday, Oct. 10 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. in the main lobby at Markham Campus  
Wednesday, Oct. 16 from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Newnham Campus Service Hub  
Thursday, Oct. 17 from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. in front of the Seneca@York Library

## Security Awareness Game Challenge: Season 3

Get ready to byte back at cyber threats with this year's [Security Awareness online game](#)! Boost your cybersecurity skills, master the art of spotting phishing scams and win some awesome prizes! Who will emerge as the ultimate cyberdefender? [Join the game](#) and find out!

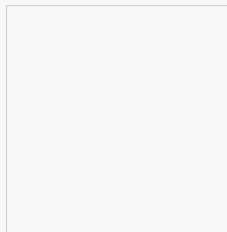


## 2024 Security Awareness Digital Badge

The IT Security and Compliance Office is offering a **Foundational Online Security Awareness digital badge** that both students and employees can earn by demonstrating their ability to identify suspicious emails and security knowledge.

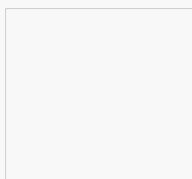
This **digital badge** serves as a valuable recognition of their commitment to maintaining a secure digital environment. Access the training module by authenticating with your Seneca credentials (your Seneca username without @myseneca.ca or @senecapolytechnic.ca and password).

Users who previously completed the badge complete the training again to update to the 2024 badge. To earn the **Foundational Online Security Awareness digital badge**, you must achieve a perfect score in the module.



## Catch the Phish and Win: Phishing Derby 2024

During the month of October, the IT Security and Compliance Office creates a variety of phishing simulations which are sent to your Seneca email address. Think you've spotted one? Hit the "Report Phish" button (Hint: look for the red fish!) and you will be entered to win that week's prize.



# Prizes

During CSAM, Seneca Polytechnic offers a variety of prizes that can be won by completing any or all of the monthly activities. The best part? The more activities you complete, the more chances you have to win!

Here is a list of the prizes you can win: ·

- **Grand Prize:** Participate in all activities (achieve above 80% in the **Security Awareness online game**, report all phishing simulations and earn a **Foundational Online Security Awareness digital badge**) to be entered to win one of three **Lenovo ThinkPad L14 Gen 3 laptops!**
- **General Prizes:** Achieve above 80% in the **Security Awareness online game**, successfully report any one of our phishing simulations during CSAM or earn a **Foundational Online Security Awareness digital badge** to be entered to win one of these fantastic prizes:
  - **Lenovo Wireless Keyboard & Mouse combo pack**
  - One of two **Shokz OpenMove Wireless Bone Conduction Headphones**
  - One of two **Logitech 4K PRO webcams**
- **Bonus Prizes:** Achieve a perfect score in the **Security Awareness online game** or successfully report all phishing simulations or to be entered to win one of two **ThinkVision P24h-30 LCD Monitors!**

\*Prizes won must be picked up at Newnham Campus

\*One prize per person, winners will be contacted by Seneca email