



# Crime Alert Bulletin

## PHISHING SCAMS

June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Just a reminder to everyone to be alert to possible phishing scams that sometimes have a convincing and legitimate appearance. The best advice is to be very suspicious and remain on guard. **Never tap or click links in messages.** Look up website addresses and other information to verify their validity. Below is an example of a recently received suspicious e-mail, which contained hyperlinks and limited information to prove validity.

Be vigilant to avoid being a victim of scams.

**From:** Mark B#####r <#####1@>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 24, 2021 1:29:02 PM  
**Subject:** Job opening for staff and students for \$400 Weekly

Hello, good day. I am Mark, an alumnus of this college.

I am emailing you regarding a dog sitting job opportunity. I have an uncle, Michael, who is moving to the College area all the way from Canada. He will be needing the services of a dog sitter whose duties will be sitting, bathing, and walking his dogs.

He is Offering \$400 weekly and he is also ready to pay for any overtime too. Should you be interested or know a student/staff who might be, send an email to Michael via (m#####g101@o#####k )

Also make sure to include your phone number in the email so He can get back to you.

Here is Michael's information again

Email: m#####g101@o#####k

Thank you and stay Safe 😊

Mark.

### How to block senders and control junk email

You can control incoming suspicious emails by utilizing the “Junk” tab on your Outlook Email Toolbar.

### What is Phishing?

<https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0003-phishing>

For additional information or to report a scam or fraud to the Federal Trade Commission contact <https://www.ftccomplaintassistant.gov/#crnt&panel1-1>. If you need any additional information or assistance, please contact the University Police at 727-873-4444 or [usfsp-police@usf.edu](mailto:usfsp-police@usf.edu).

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