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Folks, Don't You Dare Send in Your Email Password in Response to This Message

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Darienite.com received this email from the kbarbieri-AT-dariendps.org Darien Public Schools email account with an innocuous-looking link taking us to a Web page that instructed us to fill in our email password and email address in order to access three pages of "SharedFAX Documents."

We didn't. You shouldn't either. No one should do that. Ever.

Do not click on the link in the email. Delete the email.

You very likely know this already. But we just want to be sure.

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Darienite.com has emailed the account holder and copied Superintendent Alan Addley to confirm that this email was not sent by the account holder.

Getting a request for password information from an account that the email recipient knows is a classic way for hackers who have already gained information from one hacked email account to get other emails.

Businesses and other organizations regularly tell people that they don't ask for their email passwords.

The Darien Public Schools district obviously has no need for your personal email password in order to pass information to you.

Here's what the email looks like:

Here's what the Web page looks like that the email links to:

Federal Trade Commission Advice About Phishing

From this FTC Web page:

[See also: "How to Recognize and Avoid Phishing Scams" from the FTC]

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