Password Safety

RAILWAY CREDIT UNION

Passphrase to create a Stronger Password

Passphrases are one way to create and remember long passwords with ease. Passphrase is a sentence with a combination of words including special characters and numbers, with a minimum length of characters.

Example of passphrase: B@nkMustangtw3lv3! = BankMustangtwelve!

Unique Passwords for every Account

Use separate passwords for every account to help stop cyber criminals. Separate your work and personal accounts and make sure your most important accounts have the strongest passwords.

Password Manager

Many internet browers such as Firefox, Chrome and Safari have built in password managers. If you would like to use your passwords across devices, use one of these apps:
- 1 Password (Windows, Mac, iOS, Andriod)
- LastPass (iOS, Andriod; Chrome plugin works on Windows, Mac, Linux)
- KeePass (Linux, Windows, Mac, Adroid)

Items to Avoid

Simple Passwords: Don't use personal information such as your name, birth date, child's name, pet name, or favorite color/song, etc.

Dictionary Attacks: Avoid keyboard combinations - such as qwerty or asdfg. Don't use dictionary words, slang terms, common misspellings, or words spelled backward.

Top 10 Weakest Passwords:

- 123456
- 123456789
- qwerty
- 111111
- password
- 12345678
- abc123
- 1234567
- password1
- 123123