IT Security Reminder - Protection against Ransomware *May 18, 2021*

Dear UP Users,

Kindly be reminded to be wary against ransomware, which is a type of malware that limits or prevents users from accessing their system or data until a ransom is paid.

We strongly recommend our users, especially administrators, to regularly and religiously back-up their important data and files. It is best to back-up data and files with encryption, and to follow the "3-2-1" back-up rule.

The "3-2-1" back-up rule means that the user will have three (3) copies of their data. Two (2) of these copies should be stored in separate devices or media, and the third copy must be in a different physical location.

We advise to be extra vigilant when corresponding through email, social media, and other online platforms. Do NOT provide your personal information to suspicious senders, and DO NOT click on ANY links or attachments from UNSOLICITED email. Please also be advised against installing software downloaded or acquired from unofficial sources.

If you encounter suspicious websites, emails, and posts on social media sites, please immediately inform your CU ICT Support. You may find their respective email addresses at https://ictsupport.up.edu.ph/.

For your kind information and guidance.

Stay healthy and safe always.