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| **Address Bar** | Text box within a web browser window that displays the address of the web page currently being viewed – often begins with https:// |
| **Anti-virus Software** | Computer application installed on a computer to protect from computer viruses that may "attack" your software and hardware |
| **Browser** | A computer application used to access, view, and interact with sites on the World Wide Web - common web browsers are Microsoft Internet Explorer, Google Chrome, Mozilla Firefox, and Safari |
| **Cursor** | Movable and often blinking indicator on a computer screen identifying the point that will be affected by input from the user, for example showing where typed text will be inserted |
| **Hacking** | Unauthorized individual gains access a computer using secret methods to bypass username and password – the hacker can see, copy, delete or infect confidential files |
| **Landing Page** | The first page that is viewed after clicking a link on the Home page – often shows other links or additional information |
| **Mouse** | A device connected to a computer that is moved to control the position of the arrow or cursor on the screen – usually has a right & left button & sometimes a scrolling wheel |
| **Password** | A word established by the user, that is a sequence of letters, numbers, and/or symbols -permits user access to user's own information but would be difficult to guess by others |

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| **Pointer** | A small arrow or other symbol on the computer screen that moves as the mouse is moved - used to select commands and options by positioning the arrow tip over the desired choice and clicking a mouse button |
| **Privacy** | Individuals retain complete control over all personal information stored online - most important privacy safeguards are username and a strong password, combined with organizational policies that govern who has access to what |
| **Scroll Bar** | A bar that appears on the side or bottom of a page to control which part of a document is displayed on the screen - makes it easy to move up and down or back and forth to see any part of a file |
| **Security** | Preventing access to information by unauthorized persons, including viewing, copying, altering, or destroying that information - most important security safeguards are firewalls and antivirus software |
| **URL** | Acronym for Uniform Resource Locator, usually known as a website address |
| **Username** | A sequence of characters used to identify a specific user – although unique, a username is not considered secure and is most often used to maintain a list of authorized users |