How do I update my university Windows computer to make sure it is not vulnerable to the Peyta Ransomware attack?

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If a Windows computer has the latest security updates, the computer is not vulnerable. If a Windows computer has been turned off or not on the university network for some time, it may be at risk.

To manually install security updates - follow these steps. If off-campus, [connect to the VPN](#) first.

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Adjust your computer’s settings

- **System and Security**
  - Review your computer’s status
  - Save backup copies of your files
  - Backup and Restore (Windows 7)
  - Find and fix problems
- **Network and Internet**
  - View network status and tasks
  - Choose homegroup and sharing
- **Hardware and Sound**
  - View devices and printers
  - Add a device
  - Adjust commonly used mobility
- **Programs**
  - Uninstall a program
  - Get programs
- **Adjust your computer’s settings**
  - **User Accounts**
    - Change account type
  - **Appearance and Personalization**
    - Change the theme
    - Change desktop background
    - Adjust screen resolution
  - **Clock, Language, and Region**
    - Change keyboards or other input methods
    - Change display language
  - **Ease of Access**
    - Let Windows suggest settings
    - Optimize visual display

4. Click **Configuration Manager** at the bottom
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4. Click **Action** tab

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6. Click **Machine Policy Retrieval & Evaluation Cycle**, then click **Run Now**
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6. **This message will show click OK**

7. **This message will show, click OK**

Let the scan run, it will identify the updates that are needed.

8. Follow the prompts to install updates, install immediately.

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