IRS Warns Students and Staff of Impersonation Email Scam

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) posted a warning of an ongoing IRS impersonation scam that appears to primarily target educational institutions, including students and staff of institutions that have ".edu" email addresses.

The Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration and IRS Criminal Investigation has been notified about the suspicious emails that display the IRS logo and use various subject lines, such as "Tax Refund Payment" or "Recalculation of your tax refund payment." The emails ask individuals to click a link and submit a form to claim their refunds.

The phishing website requests that taxpayers provide the following information:

- Social Security Number (SSN)
- First Name
- Last Name
- Date of Birth
- Prior Year Annual Gross Income
- Driver's License Number
- City
- State/U.S. Territory
- ZIP Code/Postal Code
- Electronic Filing PIN

Recipients of this scam email should not click on the link in the email, but they can report it to the IRS. For security purposes, recipients should save the email using the "save as" feature and send that file as an attachment or forward the email as an attachment to phishing@irs.gov