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May 18, 2026

NOTICE OF DATA Privacy Event

Dear [REDACTED]:

Villa Maria College (“Villa Maria”) writes to notify you of a data privacy event that may have involved your personal information.

What Happened. On August 12, 2024, we identified unusual activity in our network. We took immediate action to secure our network, including resetting passwords and retaining independent cyber incident response specialists to restore our systems safely and investigate the nature and scope of the event. After a thorough investigation, we concluded that certain folders in our network were subject to unauthorized access and acquisition between August 7, 2024 and August 14, 2024. As a result, we underwent a comprehensive and detailed review of the involved data to identify what information was involved and to whom that information belonged. Your personal information, as described below, was in the suspected data set. Importantly, we have no evidence of that any involved information has been used to engage in fraud, identity theft, or for any other improper purpose. However, we are providing you with resources to protect yourself, should you feel it appropriate to do so.

What Information Was Involved. The personal information involved may have included your name along with a Social Security number, driver's license or state identification number, tax identification number, financial account information, payment card information, and date of birth.

What We Are Doing. Upon becoming aware of this event, we took immediate steps to secure our systems, including resetting account passwords, implementing additional measures to bolster our security posture, and reporting this event to federal law enforcement. In addition to these actions, we are offering 12 months of Single Bureau Credit Monitoring services and identity protection services through Cyberscout, a TransUnion company specializing in fraud assistance and remediation services. Instructions for how to enroll in these services are below.

What You Can Do. Generally, it is best practice to remain vigilant for incidents of identity theft and fraud, from any source, by reviewing and monitoring your account statements and credit reports for suspicious activity and errors. If you discover any suspicious or unusual activity on your accounts, promptly contact your financial institution or service provider.

Other Important Information. Please refer to the enclosed “*Steps You Can Take to Help Protect Your Information*,” for additional resources.



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For More Information. If you have any other questions, you may contact us at 1-800-405-6108 for further assistance, Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 8:00 pm. EST, excluding holidays.

Sincerely,

Villa Maria College

Enclosure: *Steps You Can Take to Help Protect Your Information*



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STEPS YOU CAN TAKE TO HELP PROTECT YOUR INFORMATION

Enrollment Instructions. To enroll in Credit Monitoring services at no charge, please log on to <https://bfs.cyberscout.com/activate> and follow the instructions provided. When prompted please provide the following unique code to receive services: [REDACTED]. In order for you to receive the monitoring services described above, you must enroll within 90 days from the date of this letter. The enrollment requires an internet connection and e-mail account and may not be available to minors under the age of 18 years of age. Please note that when signing up for monitoring services, you may be asked to verify personal information for your own protection to confirm your identity.

Monitor Your Accounts and Credit Reports:

We encourage you to remain vigilant against incidents of identity theft and fraud by reviewing your credit reports/account statements and explanation of benefits forms for suspicious activity and to detect errors.

Under U.S. law, you are entitled to one free credit report annually from each of the three major credit reporting bureaus, TransUnion, Experian, and Equifax. To order your free credit report, visit www.annualcreditreport.com or call 1-877-322-8228. Once you receive your credit report, review it for discrepancies and identify any accounts you did not open or inquiries from creditors that you did not authorize. If you have questions or notice incorrect information, contact the credit reporting bureau.

Fraud Alerts:

You have the right to place an initial or extended “fraud alert” on a credit file at no cost. An initial fraud alert is a one-year alert that is placed on a consumer’s credit file. Upon seeing a fraud alert, a business is required to take steps to verify the consumer’s identity before extending new credit. If you are a victim of identity theft, you are entitled to an extended fraud alert lasting seven years. Should you wish to place a fraud alert, please contact any of the three credit reporting bureaus listed below.

Credit Freeze:

As an alternative to a fraud alert, you have the right to place a “credit freeze” on a credit report, which will prohibit a credit bureau from releasing information in the credit report without your express authorization. The credit freeze is designed to prevent credit, loans, and services from being approved in your name without your consent. However, you should be aware that using a credit freeze may delay, interfere with, or prohibit the timely approval of any subsequent request or application you make regarding a new loan, credit, mortgage, or any other account involving the extension of credit.

Pursuant to federal law, you cannot be charged to place or lift a credit freeze on your credit report. To request a credit freeze, you should provide the following information:

1. Full name (including middle initial as well as Jr., Sr., III, etc.);
2. Social Security number;
3. Date of birth;
4. Address for the prior two to five years;
5. Proof of current address, such as a current utility or telephone bill;
6. A legible photocopy of a government-issued identification card (e.g., state driver’s license or identification card); and
7. A copy of either the police report, investigative report, or complaint to a law enforcement agency concerning identity theft, if you are a victim of identity theft.



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Should you wish to place a fraud alert or credit freeze, please contact the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below:

TransUnion 1-800-680-7289 www.transunion.com	Experian 1-888-397-3742 www.experian.com	Equifax 1-888-298-0045 www.equifax.com
TransUnion Fraud Alert P.O. Box 2000 Chester, PA 19016-2000	Experian Fraud Alert P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013	Equifax Fraud Alert P.O. Box 105069 Atlanta, GA 30348-5069
TransUnion Credit Freeze P.O. Box 160 Woodlyn, PA 19094	Experian Credit Freeze P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013	Equifax Credit Freeze P.O. Box 105788 Atlanta, GA 30348-5788

Additional Information

You can further educate yourself regarding identity theft, fraud alerts, credit freezes, and the steps you can take to protect your personal information by contacting the credit reporting bureaus, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), or your state Attorney General. The FTC also encourages those who discover that their information has been misused to file a complaint with them.

The FTC may be reached at 600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. 20580; www.identitytheft.gov; 1-877-ID-THEFT (1-877-438-4338); and TTY: 1-866-653-4261.

You have the right to file a police report if you ever experience identity theft or fraud. Please note that in order to file a report with law enforcement for identity theft, you will likely need to provide some proof that you have been a victim. Instances of known or suspected identity theft should also be reported to law enforcement, your state Attorney General, and the FTC. This notice has not been delayed by law enforcement.

For Iowa residents, the Iowa Attorney General may be contacted at 1305 E. Walnut Street, Des Moines, IA 50419; 1-515-281-5164; and iowaattorneygeneral.gov.

For Maryland residents, the Maryland Attorney General may be contacted at 200 St. Paul Place, Baltimore, MD 21202; 1-410-576-6300; and marylandattorneygeneral.gov.

For New York residents, the New York Attorney General may be contacted at Office of the Attorney General, The Capitol, Albany, NY 12224-0341; 1-800-771-7755; or <https://ag.ny.gov>.

Villa Maria College can be contacted at (716) 961-1838, or by mail at 240 Pine Ridge Rd, Buffalo, NY 14225.



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