

CSMS with Windows XP

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Sent: Monday, March 10, 2014 12:42 PM**Importance:** High**Attention all CSMS users:**

On April 8, 2014, support and updates for Windows XP will no longer be available. Don't let your computer be a target.

Support for Windows XP will no longer be available. What this means is that Microsoft will no longer provide security patches and updates to the XP operating system. As a result, after April 8, 2014, technical assistance for Windows XP will no longer be available, including automatic updates that help protect your computer.

What is Broward County Doing to Protect CSMS Data?

As of April 8, 2014 Broward County will not allow computers with Windows XP to access CSMS, if you have a computer that has Window XP you should upgrade to Windows 7, this will ensure that your computer is less vulnerable to viruses and malware. Please note that as of April 8 CSMS will only be accessible through Windows 7. (Currently the CSMS VPN is not fully compatible with Windows 8)

What if I keep Windows XP?

You will not be able to access CSMS! additionally, your computer might become more vulnerable to security risks and viruses. The XP operating system will become more vulnerable to hackers which could negatively impact the performance of your computer or in some cases deny access to files that you have stored there. There is already increased chatter on the Internet that hackers are working on viruses and malware to attack the Windows XP operating system after April 8, 2014.

Additional information about Windows XP end of life support is available on [Microsoft's website](#).

Any questions regarding CSMS access please call the Broward County ETS helpdesk at 954-357-8600.

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