IMPORTANT!

Microsoft has recently released a free version of a software package that is designed to protect your computer from all types of malware, including viruses, spyware, scareware, etc. called **Microsoft Security Essentials**. It is free for use at home or in your business for up to 10 workstations (not for servers). Once installed, it will display a small icon on your lower right side taskbar that looks like the one below. This icon will change colors to alert you if you there is a potential threat on your computer or if the program is not running properly:

(Green) **Normal Status - you are fully protected**

(Orange) **Your system is potentially unprotected!**
Ignoring or not noticing this warning will leave your system vulnerable! The orange colored logo usually indicates one of the following:

1) Low risk malware present
2) Updates not done on schedule
3) System scan not done as scheduled

(Red) **System has halted a serious threat!**
Immediate attention required!

This icon is <u>VERY IMPORTANT</u>! It will remain green as long as the program is working properly and no threats are detected. It will scan your computer every night at midnight and will update itself automatically. It is very important that you <u>leave your computer on at all times</u> so these scans can be completed daily! If a threat is detected, the green icon will turn either orange or red, depending on the severity of the threat. You <u>MUST</u> click the icon and then click "Clean My Computer" immediately! If you do not do so, YOUR COMPUTER WILL BE INFECTED WITH A VIRUS OR SOME SIMILAR MALWARE!

You must realize YOU are your first line of defense! You MUST learn how your software works to protect your computer and take the necessary steps to clean it when necessary.

Unlike the resource hog programs that cost you $40 a year or more, MSE will simply alert you of a potential threat by turning the taskbar icon orange or red. If you don't notice this or you choose to ignore it, you will soon be infected!
If you have questions or need assistance, please contact me at 214-773-7377 or send an email to bobby@kendrickit.com.