

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Locations

FROM: Information Technology Services (ITS)

SUBJECT: **W32/Lovsan.worm**

All e-mail users should be on the lookout for a virus called 'W32/lovsan.worm'. This is a **very serious** worm that will initiate network scans to local and remote networks once it is activated. The worm spreads by exploiting a recent vulnerability in Microsoft Windows. The virus can be spread via attachments from e-mail, modems or other connections to the Internet. Infected sites must turn off their modems until the virus has been removed.

A site has been created on the MDCPS Intranet with links to the necessary Operating System (OS) patches and McAfee DAT files. At this time patches are available only for computers with Windows 2000, Windows XP, and NT4 operating systems. As other patches become available you will be notified. In addition, you should continue to check the website for new patches. Please click on the link below to access the update files:

<http://its.dadeschools.net/lovesan.asp>

After all computers at your location have been cleaned, please notify Support Services at 305-995-3705(0). The network administrators will be notified and will check to make sure the site is no longer infected. Sites that are clean will be reactivated.

All locations are reminded that it is the responsibility of each user to update their VirusScan software. Each user should set their VirusScan software to update DAT files on a weekly basis. Instructions for scheduling the VirusScan software to update automatically are available from the following website:

<http://its.dadeschools.net/virus.htm>

If you do not have McAfee installed on your computer, information for obtaining the District's free McAfee antivirus software is available at the following website:

<http://it.dadeschools.net/virus.htm> <<http://techsupport.dadeschools.net/Antivirus.htm>>

If you have any questions regarding this memo, please call Support Services at 305-995-3705(0).