

Virus Removal

Q. Help, I've got a virus and can't do anything on my computer. Would you give me the name and telephone number of someone who loves to fix those problems?

Answer: Try this before laying out any \$\$\$

- 1. Press the power up button and immediately begin tapping the F8 key to bring up the boot options. Be patient, it takes a few minutes to bring up the list.**
- 2. If it brings up the list, select Safe Mode with Networking.**
- 3. Now the computer should open in Safe Mode and be able to connect it the internet.**
- 4. Bring up your anti-virus program and click UpDATE (not upgrade).**
- 5. When the update is finished loading, click Computer Scan and do a FULL SCAN on ALL FILES. It will take quite a while but if it runs it should find and remove the virus or quarantine it or ask place in the VAULT.**
- 6. Next bring up your anti-spyware program (I hope you have Malwarebytes as it's great). Update it and run it.**

If this does get rid of your problem, then you'll want to turn off your system restore to erase old restore points that may contain the virus or malware.

- 1. Click Start...all programs...accessories...system tools...system restore.**
- 2. Click Create a new restore point and name it "AFTER virus removed")**
- 3. Now turn off System Restore and restart your computer....all restore points except the last one will be removed.**
- 4. Go back to system restore, turn it on and again create a NEW Restore point.**

Revised 12/19/2011 JMM