Dear Faculty, Staff and Students:

As tax season approaches, we remind those employees and student workers who received a 2015 IRS FORM W-2 from Kalamazoo College of steps you can take in response to identity theft, including potential fraudulent filing of an income tax return.

In April of 2016, the College's 2015 W-2 Forms were released in response to a phishing scam. The various College responses to that theft as well as steps those affected can take as individuals are detailed on the identity protection information webpage created by the business office.

1. Bookmark that webpage for quick and easy access, and consider re-reviewing the information provided there.

2. Consider filing your income tax return early.

3. If you have not yet enrolled in the AllClear ID protection program offered free of charge by the College, please consider doing so.

4. If a false tax return has been filed in your name, contact AllClear ID for identity theft repair services. (AllClear ID contact information is provided at the aforementioned webpage.) Please note that after the data breach in April 2016, the College immediately notified the IRS and state taxing jurisdictions. Those agencies are paying extra attention to the social security numbers that were stolen and have protocols for responding to such incidents.

Again, if you feel that your identity has been compromised via a false income tax return or any other means, please contact AllClear ID immediately.

President’s Staff