Key Actionable Insights for a Cybersecurity Student:

- 1. Recognize and Verify Official U.S. Government Websites: Always ensure the website you're visiting has a ".gov" domain, as it belongs to an official government organization in the United States. Also, look for a lock icon or "https://" on the address bar, which indicates that the connection is secure.
- 2. Use Secure Government Websites for Sensitive Information: Share sensitive information only on official, secure websites identified by the presence of "https" and a locked padlock in your web browser's address bar.
- 3. Utilize Free Cybersecurity Services and Tools: Leverage resources provided by the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), such as Free Cybersecurity Services, Secure by Design, Secure Our World, Shields Up, and Report a Cyber Issue to enhance your cybersecurity knowledge and skills.
- 4. Stay Updated on CISA News & Events: Regularly visit the CISA news and events page to stay informed about important communications, advisories, alerts, and upcoming events hosted or participated in by CISA.
- 5. Follow Emergency Directives and Binding Operational Directives (BODs): Keep yourself updated on the latest directives issued by CISA, such as ED 24-01, BOD 23-02, BOD 23-01, and BOD 22-01. Follow these directives to improve your organization's cybersecurity posture and address known exploited vulnerabilities in a timely manner.
- 6. Register for CISA Webinars: Sign up for webinars organized by CISA, such as Active Shooter

Preparedness Webinars, to gain valuable insights into potential threats and best practices for preparedness and response.