Apple has rotten reviews on iCloud & iPhone 6 Plus

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The World Wide Web has been on fire for a month with the recently stream of leaked nude photographs of over 60 celebrities. Kim Kardashian, Gabrielle Union and Ariana Grande, are just a few of victims of these celebrity.

On Aug. 31, hackers found out celebrities password information and began leaking numerous nude pictures through iCloud. The pictures have been seen on social sites such as Twitter, Instagram, and Tumblr. Hackers continued to release private information, photos, and videos of the women on Sept. 20 and Sept. 26.

According to Apple.com, iCloud is one of Apple’s online storage services that automatically helps keep your phone up to date with apps, documents, notes, and contacts. It also provides easy access to sharing photos, calendars, locations, and tracks your phone if you lose it.

The scandal has caused some students at Jackson State University to think twice before using iCloud. One of these students, William Jenkins, a senior mass communications major from Mobile, Ala., is a faithful Apple user.

“I deleted my iCloud, I don’t trust it with my information. I have used it before to track my phone location and to import photos but, now I’ll just upload my pictures to my computer,” said Jenkins.

JSU is an innovative place for learning that utilizes many Apple products and services including iPads, the Tiger Tech Apple
Store, and the newest learning spaces in H.T. Sampson Library, Innovate and Create, which have Apple Mac desktop computers.

Some students are afraid that using Apple products could potentially expose their personal information.

“Personally I think it’s a big controversy because if celebrities can get their information stolen, obviously an ordinary person can get theirs stolen too. It’s not just about pictures, it’s about more personal information such as social security numbers. It can lead to a lot of identity theft in different ways people can have their information taken away so that makes it a big problem,” said Tevin Chapman, a senior accounting major from Hattiesburg, Miss.

Natarajan Meghanathan, an associate professor of computer science at JSU, said hacking is the process of intruding on a person’s computer, phone or user account without their knowledge.

“It can be done to find out sensitive information about the victim. With the growth of social media, hackers monitor some victim’s public posts on social media and attempt to find out their likes and dislikes. Then they start sending emails and phone calls asking them to do things, which ends up revealing more of their private/sensitive information (like credit card numbers), which the hackers could use,” said Meghanathan.

In the midst of all the hacking issues, the newest addition to the iPhone family, the iPhone 6 Plus, is also gaining bad reviews.

The release of the iPhone 6 and iPhone 6 plus was one of the most anticipated technology releases this year. Everyone who was an Apple product lover lined up outside of stores to get the new phones. According to The Wall Street Journal, Apple Inc. said they sold more than 10 million new iPhones in the first weekend but soon after all that success a big problem became the main topic, the iPhone seemed to have a bending problem.

“I was very disappointed to hear about the bending issue with the iPhone 6 plus. We pay all this money for a phone only for it to bend,” said Markaiya Francios, a freshman computer technology major from Mendenhall, Miss.

According to iPhoneHacks.com, an Apple support employee has indicated that the company will replace your bent iPhone. It remains to be seen if Apple does anything long term too get the bending and iCloud security problems corrected.

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