Configuring Your Laptop for the Best Security – Windows XP

Go to Start. Go to Control Panel. Click to Security Center.

Make sure the Windows Firewall is turned on. Click the link “Windows Firewall.”
Then make sure automatic updates are set to “Automatic (recommended).” Close out the Windows Firewall box by either clicking “Ok” or “Cancel.” From the Security Center screen (see first screenshot on page 1), click the link “Automatic Updates.” Make sure automatic updates are set to “Automatic (recommended).” Close out the window by either clicking “Ok” or “Cancel.”