

WARNING! – FORMATTING YOUR HARD DRIVE WILL ERASE ALL THE DATA STORED ON IT! MAKE SURE TO BACKUP YOUR FILES! THERE IS NO WAY TO REVERSE THIS PROCESS!

Plug in your USB or Firewire 400/800 Device until an icon is placed on the desktop.

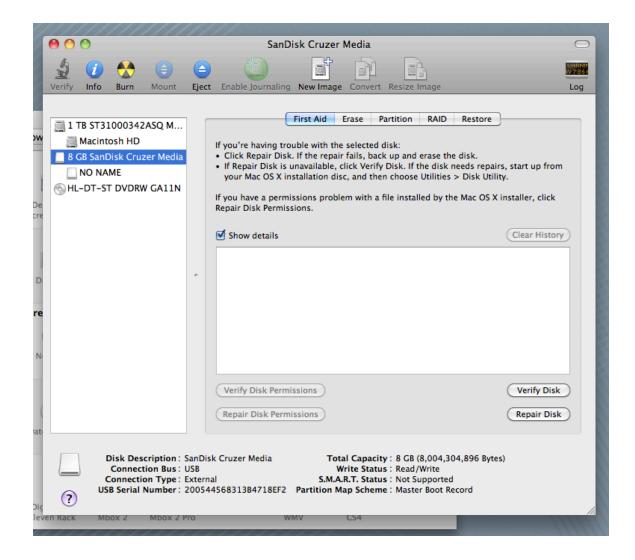


IGNORE ALL WARNINGS AND REQUESTS FOR SOFTWARE INSTALLATIONS – BY HITTING CANCEL OR CLOSE

Go into the **Applications folder** and click on "Disk Utility"



You will be prompted to choose a drive.

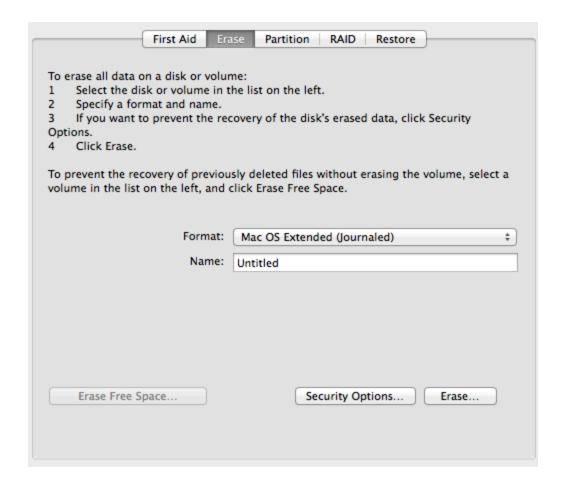


**Click on your Hard Drive/Flash Media Storage Device**: It is usually second on the list (as pictured).

## **Click on the Erase Button**

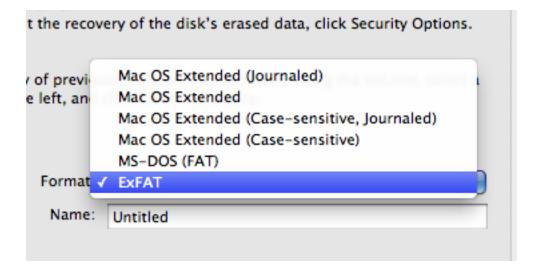


You will now see the Erase Settings:

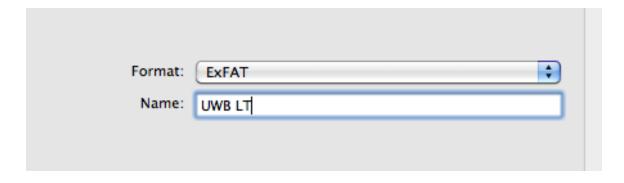


Under Format: Choose HFS+ RECOMMENDED or "Mac OS Extended" (For Mac Only Use) or ExFAT (For -Windows 7+/Mac - Cross Operating System Compatibility\*)

\*Note: ExFAT is extremely susceptible to file corruption/loss when used between multiple operating systems.



Give you Hard Drive/Flash Media Storage a name:



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## Let the computer format the drive:

You should now see your drive (named) located on the desktop.



You are now finished!