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### **STTJ DISTRICT 8<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PARENT CONFERENCE ANNOUNCED**

ST. THOMAS, USVI – The Virgin Islands Department of Education, Office of the Insular Superintendent, St. Thomas-St. John District, will host its **8<sup>th</sup> Annual Parent Conference** themed, *“Rebuilding Together: An Educational Journey”* on **Sunday, September 2, 2018** from **10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** at the **University of the Virgin Islands Sports and Fitness Center** on St. Thomas.

The one-day event is free and open to all parents and guardians with students enrolled in public schools. The gathering will serve to educate attendees about the district’s vision, mission, goals and initiatives, as well as help parents learn the systems in place to support them and understand the role they are to play to ensure student success. Translators and ASL interpreters will be available to assist parents during the event. Participants can expect fun filled entertainment and gift giveaways as they engage with event facilitators.

Available workshops will feature targeted conversations around topics relevant to parental rights, insights from educators, English as a second language, literacy tips, student projects, resources for math and science, and more. Local businesses and organizations will also be present to offer information about the services and resources they can provide to attendees and their families.

Complimentary shuttle service will be available from the Lockhart Elementary School parking lot to UVI at 9 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Lunch will be provided for all participants.

**Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. on site.** For more information, contact Jerae Forde, director of school and community affairs at [Jerae.forde@vide.vi](mailto:Jerae.forde@vide.vi).

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