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2022-2023 Parental Satisfaction Survey Launches March 20

ST. THOMAS, USVI – The Virgin Islands Department of Education, State Office of Special Education, will launch its annual Parental Satisfaction Survey territory-wide beginning Monday, March 20, with the goal of collecting data about the level of parental approval of Special Education programs and related services provided by the Department.

The survey, which will be conducted in a safe and confidential manner, will engage parents and guardians of children and youth ages 3-21 with a disability. Survey results will be used to assist the district offices of Special Education with improving services provided to the targeted +5 population and their families, and furthermore, bolster the State Office of Special Education in its ongoing commitment to improve the overall academic and functional outcomes for children and youth with disabilities.

The University of the Virgin Islands' Eastern Caribbean Center will facilitate the questionnaire through telephonic interview.

Deputy Commissioner Dr. Renee Charleswell, who oversees the annual effort, encourages parents and guardians to participate.

“We would like to thank you for your time and participation in this important data collection activity,” she said. “Let’s continue to improve outcomes for children with abilities.”

For more information, contact the State Office of Special Education offices at (340) 774-0100 ext. 8804 or (340) 773-1095 ext. 7087.

All data collected with be absent of all personally identifiable information consistent with §300.32 *Personally identifiable. Personally identifiable means information that contains— (a) The name of the child, the child's parent, or other family member;(b) The address of the child;(c) A personal identifier, such as the child's social security number or student number; or d) A list of personal characteristics or other information that would make it possible to identify the child with reasonable certainty.*

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