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## STATE OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION INVITES STAKEHOLDERS TO REVIEW PARENTAL SATISFACTION SURVEY RESULTS

ST. THOMAS, USVI –The Virgin Islands Department of Education, State Office of Special Education (SOSE) invites the community to public presentations of the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Parental Satisfaction Survey results. The presentation will be held in the St. Croix District on Tuesday, September 18, 2018 at the University of the Virgin Islands (UVI) Great Hall, Room 134. The St. Thomas/St. John District results will be presented on Wednesday, September 19 at UVI's Administration and Conference Center (ACC), First Floor Conference Room. Presentations in both districts are scheduled from 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Renee Charleswell, Ph.D., director of the State Office of Special Education, welcomes parents and guardians of children receiving special education and related services, SOSE team members, the Virgin Islands Advisory Panel on Special Education (VIAPSE) members, district offices of special education personnel and other interested community members to attend.

The presentations of the Parental Satisfaction Survey will review a summary of the collection of data from parents/guardians on the efficacy of special education and related services provided by the Districts for students enrolled in public or non-public schools. The State Office of Special Education is thrilled at this opportunity to collaborate with its stakeholders and strongly encourages their attendance. This presentation provides the opportunity for the dissemination of critical informational to the public as the State Office of Special Education continues its efforts of utilizing data as a means of improving service for children and youth with disabilities.

For more information and to **RSVP by Monday, September 17**, please contact the State Office of Special Education at <u>renee.charleswell@vide.vi</u> or <u>kathleen.merchant@vide.vi</u>.