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# VIDE Commissioner's Listening and Learning Tours to Begin October 9, 2026 Across All 23 Public Schools

The Virgin Islands Department of Education (VIDE) announces Commissioner Dr. Dionne Wells-Hedrington's Listening and Learning Tours, beginning October 9, 2026, with visits to all 23 public schools across St. Thomas, St. John, and St. Croix.

Under the theme "To Showcase & Strengthen Our Village," the tours will create opportunities for school communities to share ideas, raise concerns, highlight success stories, and help identify areas for improvement. The initiative reflects VIDE's commitment to listening, learning, and working together to strengthen schools and support student success.

The Listening and Learning Tours will focus on four priorities:

- Listen: Hear the ideas, concerns, and success stories of school communities.
- Learn: Understand what is working well and where improvements are needed.
- Act: Report back on what was heard and the actions being taken in response.
- Support: Strengthen support for every student, every school, and every community.

Students, parents, educators, staff, and community members are encouraged to participate by sharing their perspectives. Individuals with a question, idea, concern, or success story may scan the QR code on the accompanying flyer to submit their input before the Commissioner's visit to their school.

The Virgin Islands Department of Education aims to recognize the meaningful work taking place in schools while encouraging open dialogue about challenges and opportunities. The goal is to build stronger connections with school communities and turn shared insights into informed and improved action.

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