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## **STATE OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION ANNOUNCES TRANSITION PARENT CONFERENCE**

ST. THOMAS, USVI –The Virgin Islands Department of Education, State Office of Special Education (SOSE) invites parents and guardians of students with special needs to its Transition Parent Conference, themed, “Supporting Students’ Success from High School to Careers.” The conference will be held on Monday, November 26 on St. Croix at the University of the Virgin Islands, Albert A. Sheen Campus Great Hall and Thursday, November 29 on St. Thomas at the Lockhart Elementary School from 4:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. on both days.

The conference will assist parents and guardians with understanding how the Virgin Islands uses the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act to promote effective transition planning. SOSE will inform attendees of the key players in transition planning; the agencies that are likely to be responsible for providing transition services; developing appropriate, measurable post-secondary goals and discuss the IEP checklist.

Interested persons should RSVP to Dr. Renee Charleswell, state director at [renee.charleswell@vide.vi](mailto:renee.charleswell@vide.vi) or Kathleen Merchant, data manager at [kathleen.merchant@vide.vi](mailto:kathleen.merchant@vide.vi)

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