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St. Thomas, VI - As we continue to navigate these uncertain times, the safety and well-being of the Virgin Islands Board of Education (VIBE) staff, the Board, and the general public, remain our number one priority. We believe the strategies below will be the most effective means of ensuring continuity of basic VIBE operations, while we do our part to reduce the risk of transmission of the COVID-19 Virus:

The General Public

- Beginning Wednesday March 25, 2020 all persons conducting business with VIBE will be required to utilize the following options: VIBE website www.myviboe.com; our telephone (340) 774-4546 (STT), (340) 772-4144 (STX); the U.S. Mail; or an external drop box for submitting documents to the office. There will be no direct contact with the general public.
- All hearings and meetings requiring face-to-face contact will be suspended until the coronavirus pandemic stabilizes.

VIBE EMERGENCY WORK PLAN AND OFFICE PROTOCOL

1. VIBE personnel will be on site on Wednesdays from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Virgin Islands Board of Education is committed to its vision and will promote the transformation of the structure of existing public education through:

1. governance over the public education system; 2. improved student, parent, teacher relationship; 3. comprehensive community engagement; 4. standards that promote high academic achievement; 5. creation of an environment that is conducive to effective communication; 6. enhanced quality of professional development for all; 7. provision of adequate resources to achieve our vision, goals and objectives.

VISION STATEMENT

- 2. On those days and times when staff is not available, a telephonic message system will be activated, offering alternate contact numbers to the general public depending on their specific need.
- 3. Please visit the VIBE website at www.myviboe.com to obtain and submit your applications electronically. Paper applications, while discouraged will also be accepted. They can be mailed to the following addresses on St. Thomas and St. Croix, respectively.

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- 4. Our scholarship deadline has been extended to April 30, 2020.
- 5. All student loan payments must be mailed in using check or money order for deposit.

*This emergency work plan is subject to change as conditions evolve.

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