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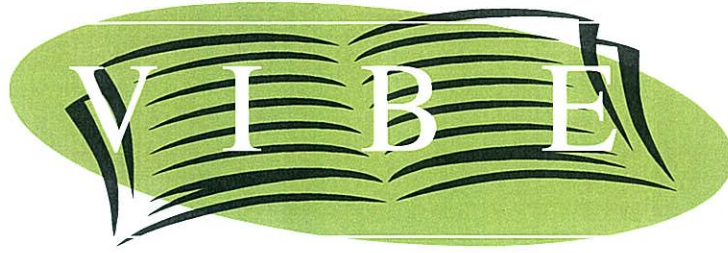
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June 30, 2011

**The Honorable John P. DeJongh, Jr.  
Governor of the United States Virgin Islands  
Government House  
21-22 Kongens Gade  
St. Thomas, USVI 00802**

**Dear Governor DeJongh:**

**Please find attached the 2011 School Plants and Management Report from the 16th Board of Education in compliance with Title 17, Chapter 3, § 22 of the Virgin Islands Code. It is the philosophy of this Board that all members must work in collaboration with all educational stakeholders to ensure that our children receive a first-class education so that they can complete in a global economic system that requires them to think critically, problem solve, and work cohesively with others. Additionally, we must provide them with the technological tools and skills that they must possess in order to compete and achieve personal and professional success.**

**It is the Board's philosophy that students should have a safe, healthful, motivating environment in which they can learn and grow. We must ensure that our schools are maintained and beautified so that students meet a welcoming, aesthetically pleasing environment when they traverse our institutions.**

**Additionally, they must be taught and supervised by highly qualified, certified teachers and administrators. Failure to provide academic and social leadership in our schools will result in students' poor academic performance, as well as provide for the development of negative social skills.**

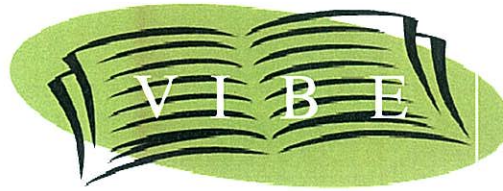
**We commend the Department of Education for its effort to ensure that schools achieve Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP). However, for those schools who do not meet academic benchmarks, educational systems must be identified and put in place to endure that all students have the same opportunity to achieve.**

**As Board members, we continue to commit ourselves to work with all educational partners to achieve our collective educational goals. It is only in working collaboratively that we can ensure the success of our children. Our community depends on our ability to deliver effective educational services to all learners so that we may be a beacon of hope for all to emulate. Thank you very much for your continued support of education.**

**Sincerely,**

**Winona A. Hendricks, Chairperson**

# 16<sup>TH</sup> VIRGIN ISLANDS BOARD OF EDUCATION



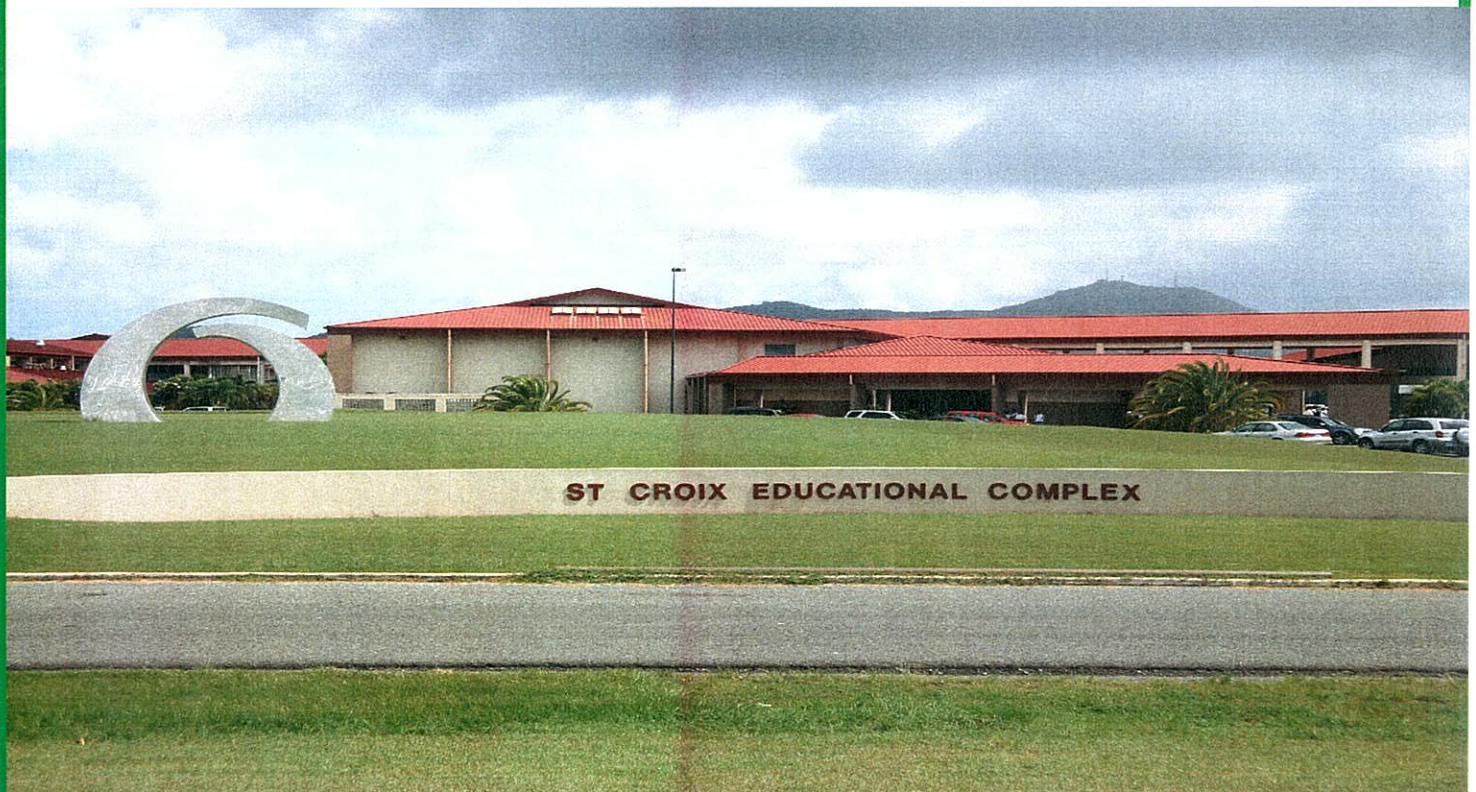
## MISSION STATEMENT

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

To ensure that each child is provided with the best quality education which promotes our history and culture, guarantees academic achievement and builds strong communities



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