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**VIRGIN ISLANDS BOARD OF EDUCATION CONGRATULATES  
TERRITORIAL SPELLING BEE WINNER  
SHADYA COUREUR**

The 20<sup>th</sup> elected Virgin Islands Board of Education (VIBE) congratulates Shadya Coureur, the 49<sup>th</sup> Territorial Spelling Bee winner. These competitions improve spelling, increase vocabulary, and further develop our students use of the English language, all of which will help them throughout their lives. Despite stiff competition, Ms. Coureur proved herself a champion. "Participation in the Spelling Bee confirms her innate ability to set herself apart from her peers as a 'Speller of Excellence' and allows Ms. Coureur the opportunity to be recognized by her community and school for weeks, months and years to come. Our thanks for her dedication in expanding her vocabulary level on her quest to become remarkable in life's pathway," said chairman Kyza A. Callwood.

The VIBE congratulates all persons who coordinated, participated, and supported our territory's spelling bees and wishes Ms. Coureur the best of luck at the national competition.

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