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## MUSIC STUDENTS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN SOLO JAZZ AND CLASSICAL COMPETITIONS

ST. THOMAS, USVI – The Virgin Islands Department of Education (VIDE), Division of Music Education is currently accepting applications for its inaugural Solo Classical and Jazz Competitions, scheduled for Tuesday, March 26, 2019, in the St. Croix District, and Thursday, March 28, in the St. Thomas – St. John District. The competitions are open to public, private and parochial students in grades 6 -12 who sing or play an instrument.

Students will be judged by a rubric that measures tone quality, rhythm, technique, stage presence, etc. Each competition will be divided into two levels: Middle/Junior High and Senior High. Interested applicants are welcome to participate in both the jazz and classical competitions.

A copy of the application and rubric are located on the Department of Education's website under the "For Students" tab. **The application deadline is Friday, March 15, 2019.** 

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