

The Virgin Islands Consortium

Week Of The Young Child Activities Set For April 18-21

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Outdoor portrait of a cute young black little girl reading a book - African people

ST. CROIX -- The Virgin Islands Department of Education will hold its annual celebration of the Week of the Young Child at elementary schools across the territory from April 18-21, D.O.E. made known on Monday.

The annual activity is sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) and celebrates early learning, young children, their teachers and families.

The territory's celebration comes a week ahead of the national celebration, marked for April 23-28, in an effort to not conflict with local carnival and spring break activities taking place in the territory during the last week of April.

St. Croix Elementary Programs Coordinator Jeselle Cruse-Peter has announced a variety of activities being held at the district's elementary schools, in addition to a culminating activity at Canegata Ballpark on Friday, April 21.

Listed below are scheduled on-site celebrations at schools as well as complete details on the April 21 culminating activity.

Low Muckle Elementary School

Tuesday, April 18 Kindergarten & First Grade Program

Wednesday, April 19.....Career Day (students dress in careers of their choice)

Thursday, April 20 Kindergarten Lunch

Eulalie R. Rivera Elementary School

Tuesday, April 18..... Kickoff/Tasty Tuesday

Wednesday, April 19.....Artsy Wednesday

Thursday, April 20.....Showcase Thursday/Twin Day.

Friday, April 21.....Science Fair/Movie Day

Pearl B. Larsen Elementary School

Tuesday, April 18.....Read to Your Child Day!

Wednesday, April 19.....Book Parade/Art Day!

Thursday, April 20.....All Day Career Day/Building Day!

Alexander Henderson Elementary School

Tuesday, April 18.....Tasty Tuesday

Wednesday, April 19.....Wacky Hair
Wednesday

Thursday, April 20.....Dress for your Career
Day

Alfredo Andrews Elementary School

Tuesday, April 18 - Reading to students (invited guests from the community, or any parent that would like to read to the students)

Wednesday, April 19 - Classroom Breakfast/Each student is encouraged to dress in the career attire he/she aspires to be in the future

Thursday, April 20 - Pajama/Movie Day

Friday, April 21 - Afternoon healthy snack picnic where each student will bring fruits to share with classmates as they engage in outdoor old time games like jump rope, hop scotch, Duck, Duck, Goose, kickball, Red Light, Green Light.

Juanita Gardine Elementary School

Tuesday, April 18 – Week of the Young Child Kick Off:

- Pajama Day/Classroom Breakfast with Parents 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
- Storytelling 11:45 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 19 – Team-Building Fun Day 11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 20 – Wacky Socks / Mural Day All day activity

Friday, April 21: Culminating Celebration - David Canegata Ballpark

- **All Elementary Schools** – Kg to 2nd grade students will participate in the *Week of the Young Child **Culminating Activity** “Celebrating Our Youngest Learners”* at the David Canegata Ballpark in Christiansted from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

- Students, teachers, and parents will embark on a “Station Rotation Education” activity as they visit various stations developed by the following departments/agencies:

-VITEMA

-Waste Management

-McGruff, the Crime Dog

-WTJX, Virgin Islands Public Broadcasting

-Jeep Club

-Water and Power Authority

-Highway Safety

-Cultural Education

-Agriculture, Planting My First Seedling Station

-Reading Corner

-Sports Mania

-Fire Department

- Home Depot
- Smart Art
- “Jay Jay” the Clown
- Tammybull Bouncing Fantasy
- F’sted Health Clinic
- My Sistahs Keeper- Recycling Education

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