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# Bryan Administration Aiming for 'No Later Than January 10' to 'Phase In' In-Person Learning for All Students

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**Students at the St. Croix Educational Complex before the Covid-19 pandemic. By. THE VIRGIN ISLANDS CONSORTIUM**

Governor Albert Bryan said Tuesday that his administration is aiming for early January to resume in-person learning for all students, though the effort will be tackled in phases.

"We are really making a resolve to return our students to in-person learning, and we're looking to phasing in the school population no later than January 10 following the Christmas break," Mr. Bryan said during his weekly press briefing. He added that the downward trend in active Covid-19 infections "may allow us to consider an earlier return, so be alert to that."

As of Wednesday morning, [there were 73 active Covid-19](#) cases territory-wide: 62 on St. Croix, 11 on St. Thomas and there were no cases on St. John.

Yet even as active cases drop dramatically, Mr. Bryan reminded that the territory is still fighting the pandemic, urging residents to continue following protocols. "Our ability to successfully continue ahead to our new normal requires a continuous adherence of protocols — not only the protocols that are there now, but that were there before," he said.

The Dept. of Education [on Sept. 7](#) resumed in-person learning for students in grades PreK-3rd, Special Education self-contained classes, and Career & Technical Education students enrolled in a specific career pathway. Students in grades 4-12 continue to learn virtually.