

Press Office
(284) 494-3435

PRESS RELEASE
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

The BVIPA Launches a Pilot Port Education Programme for Youths

January 11th 2021 - The British Virgin Islands Ports Authority (BVIPA) has released a new initiative that focuses on teaching students about Port functions, international trade, and maritime careers. The BVIPA has launched its new Port Education Program which aims to engage students in educational outreach at various age levels. It is a resource for primary and secondary students, and an online learning tool that addresses the themes of: What is a Port?, the BVIPA's 3 Main Business Anchors and Careers, Partnering Agencies and Stakeholders and the overall role that Ports play in our Local Economy.

"Students will hopefully gain a greater interest in the maritime trade and choose to pursue careers in that field." said BVIPA's Managing Director, Mrs. Oleanvine Maynard. She continued to state that "This programme will help equip students with knowledge and understanding of the diverse work and career opportunities related to our Ports."

Andy the Anchor, the programme's mascot was designed and created to help raise awareness and interest in this diverse industry. Currently two presentations are available for students and teachers with additional ones to be added early next year. For more information on the BVIPA's new Pilot Port Education Programme, please visit www.bviports.org/about-us/education.

ABOUT THE BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS PORTS AUTHORITY

The BVI Ports Authority is the managing authority for all official Sea Ports within the British Virgin Islands inclusive of the 60ft wide, 1,312 ft. long cruise pier that can berth ships up to a maximum tonnage of 180,000 GRT. The BVIPA is responsible for the welcoming and safe arrival of seafaring passengers, as well as the reception, handling and security of cargo and sea based trade.

For more information, please visit www.bviports.org