

## VIRGIN ISLANDS

- Compulsory Attendance Ages:** “beginning of the school year nearest [child’s] fifth birthday ... until the expiration of the school year nearest [child’s] sixteenth birthday,” except those who graduate from high school earlier. Virgin Islands Code Annotated title 17, § 82.
- Required Days of Instruction:** No statutory requirement.
- Required Subjects:** As approved by Commissioner of Education. V.I.R. & Regs. tit. 17, § 84-1.

**Home School Statute:** None, but regulations. V.I.R. & Regs. tit. 17, § 84-1.

1. Parents must seek Commissioner of Education’s approval of:
  - a. The qualifications of the tutor, and
  - b. The proposed courses of study.
2. The Commissioner of Education may require that the pupils be examined by a representative of the Department of Education.

**Alternative Statutes Allowing for Home Schools:** V.I.R. & Regs. tit. 17, § 192.

1. Parents could possibly apply for accreditation as a private school.
2. The Commissioner of Education must inspect each private school at least once per year.

**Teacher Qualifications:** None.

**Standardized Tests:** Not required by statute, optional under regulations (see above).