

OPA's Compliance Investigation Division completed its 2018 fraud awareness visits to students last week, having shared, learned from, and discussed the impacts of fraud with over 250 bright, young individuals from Yap Catholic High School, COM's Upward Bound Program, Faith Christian Academy, and Yap SDA School. 2018 marks the 6th year that OPA has conducted the annual Fraud Awareness Briefing for the public.

Questions and comments similar to many of those shared by students from the week before continued, with issues on misuse, favoritism, theft, abuse, corruption, and more. It was apparent the students



didn't need to be reminded that as future leaders of our community it is not too early to be involved in the fight against fraud. Our youth have a voice, and they are eager for their voice to be heard. Evidence of their enthusiasm shines through in school activities, such as debates on important issues that affect our island community, walks for awareness, participation in essay contests on anti-corruption, amongst others.

OPA would like to once again thank the principals, staff, and faculty of Yap Catholic High School, COM's Upward Bound Program, Faith Christian Academy, and Yap Seventh Day Adventist School for their

support. OPA looks forward to continuing to collaborate with Yap's youth and revisit next year for the 7th annual Fraud Awareness Briefing.

