



PARENT/GUARDIAN PERMISSION FORM

Women Can Do! Conference

Thursday, October 8, 2026

Vermont State University – Randolph (formerly Vermont Technical College)

Women Can Do is an annual career exploration conference that gives high school girls* hands-on exposure to STEM and trades careers and education pathways. The conference is organized by Vermont Works for Women and located at VTSU Randolph. We encourage youth to step outside their comfort zones to try new activities, meet industry professionals, and expand their sense of what's possible. We can't wait to see you at Women Can Do!

*WCD is for students who identify as female regardless of assignment at birth, and youth who are non-binary or gender expansive that are comfortable in a girl-centered space.

For students to participate, Vermont Works for Women must receive this signed Parent/Guardian Permission Form (front and back) **no later than Friday, September 25, 2026**.

Please return this completed form to your school **before that date**.

Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Printed Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Emergency Phone: _____

Conference activities take place inside and outside, so please dress appropriately:

- Warm, protective footwear, preferably boots
- Layers for warm or cold conditions
- A jacket that protects you from cold, rain & wind

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PARENT/GUARDIAN PERMISSION AND RELEASE FORM

Vermont Works for Women (VWW) and VTSU (VTSU) are pleased that your child/ward will be attending the Women Can Do! Conference on October 8, 2026 at VTSU. Safety is our first priority at the conference. Participants will receive thorough instruction in the safe use of all materials and equipment. Activities may involve hands-on use of power tools and equipment that carry inherent risks. VWW will not individually monitor each student. Chaperones will be responsible for monitoring individual student participation. If there are any activities your child/ward does NOT have your permission to participate in, it is your responsibility to notify your child's school or school chaperone. If you have questions, please call 802-655-8900 x106 or email womencando@vtworksforwomen.org.

- I am aware that my child/ward will be trying various tools and equipment at conference stations supervised by volunteers.
- I understand that conference instructors and VWW staff reserve the right to deny participation to anyone whom they judge to be an undue risk to themselves or others.
- I understand that the conference is a smoke-free event. I understand that my child/ward will not be allowed to smoke at or around conference activities, and I will communicate this to them prior to the conference.
- I, for myself, my family members, my heirs, my assigns, and any other person acting on my behalf, hereby release and forever discharge VWW, its employees, volunteers, directors, and agents from any and all liability, action, cause of action, and claim or for any injury, loss, or damage that may arise out of my participation in VWW programs. This release specifically includes, but is not limited to, any claim for negligence or gross negligence by VWW, its employees, volunteers, directors, or agents.
- I agree to indemnify and hold harmless VWW, its employees, volunteers, directors, and agents from any and all liability, costs, expenses, or damages, including the costs of defense, attorney's fees, and expenses in connection with my participation in the program, as well as all costs or attorney's fees incurred to enforce this agreement.
- I agree that any dispute that may arise under this agreement shall be brought only in Vermont and shall be governed by and construed under the laws of the State of Vermont. If any portion of this agreement is found to be illegal, void, unenforceable, or against public policy, the remaining portions of the agreement shall not be affected and shall remain in full force and effect to the fullest extent permissible by law.
- I understand that if my child/ward has any special needs that require accommodations to participate fully and safely in the conference, it is the school's responsibility to provide those accommodations.
- Please provide any other information that may be helpful for us to know in order to support your child.

I have read the above information and give my permission for my child/ward (print student's full name)

_____ to attend the Women Can Do! Conference on October 8, 2026 at VTSU Randolph.

PHOTO & MEDIA RELEASE

VWW, VTSU, media and other conference partners **DO** / **DO NOT** (circle) have permission to use my child's/ward's photographic image (video and still) for publicity purposes.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date