

## Gold Sponsorships and Exhibitors



## **GOLD SPONSORSHIP**

**Champlain College** is a small, not-for-profit, private college overlooking Lake Champlain and Burlington, Vermont, with additional campuses in Montreal, Canada, and Dublin, Ireland. Our careerdriven approach to higher education prepares students for their professional life from their very first semester.

We embrace our Champlain tradition as an institution that prepares students to excel through radically pragmatic career-focused education. We are a supportive learning community that advances society by delivering uniquely future-focused academic programs, transformative hands-on experiences, and meaningful connections and collaborations that engage the passions of our students to create a better world. <u>www.champlain.edu</u>

**Navigate 360's** K12 safety & wellness solutions provide complementary and integrated tools necessary to save and enhance lives. From culture to compliance, you can detect, manage and prevent threats to school safety while fostering the mental health and character development of students and staff alike. As the only provider of holistic school safety and wellness solutions, our revolutionary model spans the full spectrum of school safety including culture & climate, threat assessment & prevention and safety management & preparedness – all backed by research and developed by industry experts. Point solutions are no longer an option. We are delivering on our better together commitment by providing solutions that work seamlessly together to create a culture of safety on your campus so every child can experience the school day without fear. This is the new standard for modern school safety, wellness and success and the only path toward zero incidents of violence on school campuses. <u>Navigate360.com</u>

**Vermont-NEA** is the union of 12,000 public school educators who have put Vermont's students first since 1850. Together with parents, our members are committed to a public education that prepares students to be everything they want to be as happy and healthy adults. Vermont-NEA (VT-NEA) | Vermont-NEA (vtnea.org

**Vermont State University** is known for individualized student support, a small student-faculty ratio, and strong relationship-focused education that helps students excel in class and in their career through hands-on experiential learning in every field. Building upon a history of public higher education in Vermont dating back to 1787, Vermont State University serves students on five campuses — Castleton, Johnson, Lyndon, Randolph and Williston — and multiple learning sites across the Green Mountains and beyond, including online. Our strong mix of liberal arts and professional programs provide high-quality, flexible, and affordable education for students seeking associate, bachelor's, and master's degrees, certificates, and in-demand professional credentials. <u>Vermont State University</u>

## **EXHIBITORS**

Advance Vermont's mission is to ensure every Vermonter sees and is able to pursue a career and education pathway that helps them meet their goals. Advance Vermont develops programming and resources for students, families, and navigators to ensure that Vermonters can equitably make informed choices about their career and postsecondary education pursuits. The organization built and maintains MyFutureVT.org, the state's free online hub for career and education exploration, and is an active participant in the development of student centered, data-informed workforce and postsecondary education policy at the state and federal levels.

**CCV** is Vermont's second-largest college, serving nearly 10,000 students each year and supporting and challenging all students in meeting their educational goals through an abiding commitment to access, affordability, and student success.

**Center For Health And Learning** is a non-profit organization that serves as a catalyst for initiatives that inspire optimal health for all. Our mission is to build healthy communities through educational resources, leadership training, policy development, and technical assistance. CHL is focused on improving school and community health. Our staff and consultants apply expertise in health and education to design training, develop resources, and carry out research and evaluation. We specialize in Suicide Prevention and Awareness, Substance Misue Prevention, and Mental Health and Wellness.

**Changing Perspectives** promotes social-emotional learning to cultivate inclusive and equitable learning communities for all students. To accomplish this mission, we provide direct service to preK-grade 12 schools through customizable curricular resources, professional development opportunities, coaching, family engagement programs, and onsite school visits.

**Girls on the Run Vermont** is a statewide nonprofit organization that provides dynamic, research-based lessons facilitated by trained, volunteer coaches. Lessons creatively incorporate physical activity with social and emotional skill development so girls can successfully navigate life experiences. Our programs are designed for participants in 3rd-8th grades. GOTRVT proudly serves 1,800+ participants each spring at more than 120 sites throughout the state. Since our council's inception in 1999, we have served over 37,000 girls and made a lasting impact on our community through participant-led service projects. We inspire girls to be joyful, healthy, and confident!

**The Governor's Institutes of Vermont** creates fun, accelerated learning residencies on college campuses for Vermont teenagers. Each Institute is an adventure that focuses on a topic and offers an in-depth experience built around learning, interacting, and sharing. Students live on a college campus and have access to all the resources the college provides, including state-of-the-art labs and studios, all tailored to a student's passions and offered for an affordable price. Each Institute offers a unique, collaborative and hands-on experience bursting with creative learning and boundless fun!

**Kurn Hattin Homes** - A charitable, year-round, residential home and school with over 125 years of service to children in need and their families.

**NAMI Vermont** is the independent state chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), the nation's largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to improving the lives of individuals and families affected by mental illness. NAMI Vermont began as a grassroots family movement in 1983 and today offers free programs and support groups for peers, families, schools, and communities throughout the state of Vermont. The mission of NAMI Vermont is to support, educate, and advocate so that all communities, families, and individuals affected by mental illness or mental health challenges can build better lives.

**Prevent Child Abuse Vermont** promotes and supports healthy relationships within families, schools and communities to eliminate child abuse.

Celebrating our 45th anniversary, PCAVT has been working effectively to prevent child abuse and neglect through parent education, support and public awareness. Helping families thrive through education and support!

**ROX** trains school counselors & educators to deliver evidence-based programs to girls in grades 5-12. The ROX Program for Girls is a co-curricular experience with a 20-lesson curriculum that has been proven effective with more than 40,000 girls since 2006. Curricula focus on: Girl drama & bullying, healthy relationships, social media, body image, stress and coping. 90% of participants report that ROX is the thing they like best about School. Partner with us to empower your girls with ROX!

The mission of **Safer Society Foundation**, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, is to provide services and resources for preventative and restorative responses to sexual and social violence. SSF strives to achieve its mission through three major divisions: (1) The Safer Society Press, founded in 1982, which publishes leading-edge, evidence-based books, workbooks, and other materials for the prevention and treatment of sexual and social violence; (2) the Continuing Education Center, started in 2020, which provides online trainings, free webinars, and other educational opportunities for helping professionals in psychology, social work, counseling, and education; and (3) the New Circle Mentoring Program, launched in 2017, which helps at-risk Vermont children impacted by parental absence overcome the unique obstacles in their paths to healthy adulthood.

The **School of Social Innovation at Champlain College** teaches students the transformative process of devising new, impactful solutions to pressing social and environmental challenges. Students will apply the concepts of revolutionizing social change to their chosen majors, using collaboration and creativity to shape a better future by daring to think differently and act collectively for the greater good. The School of Social Innovation includes the following student majors: \*Social Work\*Criminology and Criminal Justice\*Applied Sustainability\*Education\*Law\*Psychology

**Serve Learn Earn (SLE)** is a nonprofit collaboration focusing on increasing paid service and learning opportunities throughout the state. Serving youth through adults, SLE includes Vermont Youth Conservation Corps, Vermont Works for Women, ReSOURCE, and Audubon Vermont. For our youth and young adult focused programs, participants gain exposure to conservation and trades related careers, are provided opportunities for skill development, personal professional growth and they earn a stipend or wage! Year-round and summer programs are available!

## Springfield | Albany MEPS/US Army -

**The Vermont Alcohol and Drug Information Clearinghouse (VADIC –**) is a collection of free informational resources. Explore our online library of resources on substance use prevention and harm-reduction, treatment and recovery, and mental health. We house free resources from popular health campaigns including ParentUp, Vermont Helplink, Let's Talk Cannabis, KnowOD, and many more.

**VSAC -** Our vision at the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation (VSAC) is to create opportunities for all Vermont students, but particularly for those—of any age—who believe that the doors to higher education are closed to them. VSAC was created by the Vermont Legislature in 1965 as a public nonprofit agency. VSAC advocates for students and their families to ensure that they have the information, the counseling and the financial aid to achieve their education goals. For more information about VSAC and our programs please visit our website.

**The Vermont Air National Guard** is the proud home of the **158th Fighter Wing**. Federally recognized in August of 1946 with the 134th Fighter Squadron, the Green Mountain Boys began their first flying mission with the F-47 and historically became the first Air National Guard unit to base the **F-35A Lightning II**, the most advanced and capable weapon system in the U.S. Air Force.

**Mission:** Provide the nation and state a Ready Force skilled in the execution of a broad spectrum of global and domestic operations. **Vision:** A Premier Ready Fighter Wing focused on Mission & People, driven by our Core Values and our commitment to continual improvement.

**The Vermont Army National Guard** (VTARNG) is distinctly characterized by its expertise in mountain operations. Central to its identity are specialized entities and activities such as the Army Mountain Warfare School and the 86th Infantry Brigade Combat Team (IBCT), which is specifically tailored for mountain operations. Complementing this focus are installation activities that facilitate supportive training, like Range Control. The VTARNG boasts a state-of-the-art Biathlon facility where both civilian and military biathlon teams compete, showcasing excellence in both sporting and tactical arenas. Furthermore, the VTARNG has established state partnership programs with nations such as Austria, North Macedonia, and Senegal, emphasizing its commitment to mountain and cold weather operations.

The **VTSU Center for Schools** has been in operation since 2002. It was initially created to provide professional development opportunities to educators in the southern part of the state as an alternative to traveling to Chittenden County or Montpelier to access professional learning. The Center has grown significantly over the years and now serves all counties in the state of Vermont while offering professional learning experiences in other states as well. We partner with schools, districts, and district clusters to develop relevant and rigorous professional development aligned directly with their missions and visions and educational priorities. We offer close to 400 graduate level courses in a variety of content areas.

**VTVLC** - Now in its fourteenth year, VTVLC provides access to Vermont students in grades K-12 seeking virtual learning opportunities through collaborative partnerships with Vermont districts. VTVLC has structured online classes taught by Vermont-licensed teachers who have the Online Teaching Specialist (OTS) endorsement. VTVLC provides availability of core and elective courses not offered locally, greater accessibility when student scheduling conflicts occur, and increased flexibility for students seeking alternative learning environments free from the distractions and social challenges of traditional school settings.

**VT Works for Women -** Vermont Works for Women is a statewide nonprofit organization that promotes economic justice by advancing gender equity and supporting women and youth at every stage of their career journeys. We are working to create an equitable Vermont where people of all identities and backgrounds have equal access to opportunities and to thrive economically – where they make confident, deliberate choices about life and work that reflect an expansive grasp of what's possible. VWW works with schools and students across Vermont to offer gender equity workshops, career exploration events, summer camps, and afterschool programs throughout the year.