

LONG TRAIL SCHOOL

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LONG TRAIL SCHOOL ATTENDS WOMEN CAN DO

On Thursday, October 16, three Long Trail School students attended the 10th annual conference of Women Can Do, a full day of hands-on workshops in trades and technology for high school girls. 390 girls from around the state traveled to Randolph's Vermont Technical College. There were two clear purposes: to expose all girls to the unlimited career possibilities available to them and to support girls who are enrolled in nontraditional programs in technical and career centers. Workshops provided the chance to try out the real equipment, tools and techniques used on these jobs. Long Trail students chose to learn about house design, woodworking, law enforcement, cartography and excavation.



Long Trail student Annie Tucker learned how to operate a backhoe at the Women Can Do conference.

Ninth grader Elizabeth Suitor most appreciated the session on House Design and Model Making, in which students drew floor plans and made three dimensional models of their houses. Suitor noted, "This is something I don't get to do in school. It was well worth the trip." She felt that she might even pursue house design as a future career. Director of College Counseling Scott Magrath, who coordinated Long Trail's attendance, added, "It was a great opportunity for our girls to meet and listen to female experts and professionals and to get a picture of the almost endless possibilities of things they can do with their lives as well to connect with other ambitious girls from Vermont, New Hampshire and Massachusetts."