## Save the Date! The Vermont Kindergarten Conference

**Early Education: Full STEAM Ahead!** 



## A Focus on the Development and Learning of Young Children Wednesday, March 20th, 2024

Doubletree by Hilton, South Burlington



The Vermont Kindergarten Conference is designed for early childhood educators, principals, and curriculum directors to celebrate the brilliance within all children, explore ways to create engaging environments for young learners, and foster collaboration among early educators.

This year, our keynote speaker is Christine Cunningham, the Engineering is Elementary founding director at the Boston Museum of Science. Her keynote, **Nurturing Children's Creativity through Engineering**, will explore how hands-on engineering design can spark motivation, deepen scientific thinking, promote agency and collaboration, and encourage young learners to persist through

failure. Short videos and examples of student work will illuminate how students engage in authentic

engineering challenges that develop their engineering and science knowledge, practices, and identities. The examples will also illustrate how an equity-oriented approach to preK-12 engineering can cultivate the talents of *all* learners.





"Engineering nurtures the natural creativity and problem-solving proclivities of children."

Information about workshops will be available soon!





