

Press Release

“Entretiens de l'Excellence” – Nantes 2020

Saturday 14 March 2020, Centrale Nantes, 1 Rue de la Noë, 44300 Nantes, from 1.30 to 5.45 pm

On Saturday 14 March, Centrale Nantes will host the 6th edition of the “Entretiens de l'Excellence”, the aim of which is to re-establish equality of opportunity by giving all young people, whatever their background, the desire to pursue their dreams to the full.

First held in Paris in 2006, the “Entretiens de l'Excellence” have met with great national success and now cover **25 cities** in France. This event brings together middle- and high-school pupils with professionals who have achieved excellence in their chosen field. It aims to **fuel ambition**, particularly among young people who are geographically, culturally or socially isolated from networks capable of providing them with relevant information for their future and **models of success** that can boost their motivation.

Around **400 middle and high school students from local schools** are expected to attend this year.

Parents are also invited to a workshop designed to answer their questions and concerns about their children's higher education: grants, accommodation, mobility, distance etc.

50 volunteers from industry will be present at this event. Most of them are local, others from different parts of the country. They will share their experience and expertise, repaying the opportunities they have enjoyed for the benefit of the younger generation. The speakers at the “Entretiens de l'Excellence” come from some of France best schools and represent French society in all its diversity. The association strives to ensure that there is diverse representation of gender, professions and degrees of experience (young graduates, experts, seniors, etc.) amongst the speakers.

The event is free of charge and requires prior registration.

Learn more: <http://www.lesentretiens.org/agenda/nantes-3/>

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