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EnspirED is a national leadership conference for youth that provides an opportunity for students to showcase leadership through researching and sharing meaningful ideas that will inspire the audience.

Speakers at EnspirED speakers are selected by our curatorial team who identify and investigate ideas and innovations that matter. The speakers develop an eighteen-minute presentation on an idea they believe is worth spreading.

AGENDA

- WELCOME ADDRESS
- 2. TED-style TALKS 3 SPEAKERS
- 3. CONVERSATION WITH MENTORS
- 4. AWARD CEREMONY
- VOTE OF THANKS

Conversations with Mentors: Student Guideline Document

Thank you for expressing interest in the having Conversations with Mentors! This unique opportunity allows you to engage with esteemed professionals, gain valuable insights, and seek guidance on your academic and career journey. To make the most out of this experience, it's important to be prepared, ask thoughtful questions, and stay focused on learning.

Who Can Participate

High School Students (11th & 12th Graders), College Students

What to Expect

During the session, you will participate in brief, focused conversations with our mentors. Each conversation will last about 10 to 15 minutes. You will rotate through different mentors, ensuring you receive diverse perspectives and advice. Here's a brief overview of what you can expect:

- Introduction: Each mentor will introduce themselves and share a bit about their background.
- Q&A: You will have the opportunity to ask questions and engage in a dialogue with the mentor.
- Rotation: After the allotted time, you will move to the next mentor for a new conversation.





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Who Are the Mentors for 2024?



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How to Ask Good Questions

Asking good questions is key to gaining valuable insights from your mentors. Here are some tips on how to ask impactful questions:

- 1. Be Specific: Ask questions that are clear and focused on specific topics or areas of interest.
- 2. Be Open-Ended: Use open-ended questions to encourage detailed responses and deeper conversations.
- 3. Be Respectful: Show appreciation for the mentor's time and insights by being respectful and attentive.
- 4. Be Curious: Show genuine interest in the mentor's experiences and advice.

Staying Focused on Learning

To make the most of your conversations, stay focused and engaged. Here are some tips:

- 1. Listen Actively: Pay attention to what the mentor is saying, and show that you are listening through your body language and responses.
- 2. Take Notes: Write down key points during the conversation to help you remember important information.
- 3. Reflect: After each conversation, take a moment to reflect on what you've learned and think about how you can apply it to your own journey.









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Sample Questions

Below are sample questions on various topics to help you get started.

Academic Success and College Preparation

For High School Students:

- What should I focus on during my junior and senior years to prepare for college?
- How can I make my college application stand out?
- What extracurricular activities would you recommend to enhance my college readiness?

For College Freshmen:

- How can I effectively manage my time and coursework in college?
- What strategies can I use to choose the right major for me?
- How do I balance academics with social activities and part-time work?

Career Path and Advice

- What inspired you to choose your current career path?
- What key skills and experiences helped you succeed in your field?
- If you could go back and give yourself one piece of career advice, what would it be?

Leadership and Management

- What is a critical quality/trait I must demonstrate to project my leadership potential?
- How do you handle difficult decisions and conflicts in your role?
- What strategies do you use to stay motivated and inspired in the face of challenges?









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Networking and Connections

- How can I build and maintain professional relationships?
- Can you share a networking tip that has been particularly useful to you?
- How can I make a positive impression when meeting new people in my industry?

Personal Growth and Skills Building

- How can I develop strong study habits and stay motivated in my studies?
- How can I build leadership skills while still in high school?
- What books or resources do you recommend for personal development?
- How can I get involved in campus activities that will help me grow personally & professionally?

Future Trends and Opportunities

- What emerging trends do you see shaping the future of your industry?
- How can I best position myself to take advantage of future opportunities in my field?
- What challenges do you foresee in the industry, and how can I prepare for them?

The 'Conversations with Mentors' session is a valuable opportunity to learn from experienced professionals and gain insights that can guide your academic and career decisions. By being prepared, asking thoughtful questions, and staying focused, you will maximize the benefits of this experience.

Enjoy your conversations, and make the most of this opportunity to connect, learn, and grow!

RSVP to attend:

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