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SpeedMeet 2021

What is SpeedMeet?

SpeedMeet brings together students and employers – speed-dating style! It's a great opportunity for senior students who are ready for work, or will be looking for work within the next six months, to discover all the exciting careers available in the trades and services industries.

How does the day run?

SpeedMeet runs between approximately 9.00am to 2.30pm. Students rotate from employer to employer for six-minute mini-interviews. This ensures they gain awareness of all the various career opportunities and they get to practice their interview skills.

After each six-minute mini-interview music will play and the student and employer note YES, NO or MAYBE to indicate if they want to know more about each other. This is done electronically or on paper. Students with an internet-enabled mobile or tablet are encouraged to bring them. The student then moves on to the next employer in line.

At the end of the SpeedMeet, outcomes are collated and if there are matches then the employer and student will be emailed each other's contact details. The school career advisor will also receive a copy of the matches.

Because each student will meet with every employer, SpeedMeet is aimed at students who are looking for work but may be unsure about what type they want.

Who will be there?

SpeedMeet includes employers and ITOs from a range of industries that offer on-the-job training and exciting career opportunities, this may include: automotive, engineering, infrastructure, primary industries, social and community services, creative industries, retail and service industries, manufacturing and technology and more.

Register today!

Got a question?

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How do I register my school?

For dates, locations and to register your school visit www.gotatrade.co.nz/events. We will be in touch closer to the date with information about your allotted time to attend and the number of students we can accommodate, which is dependent on the number of employers that participate.

In the meantime, we recommend you think about the students who may benefit from SpeedMeet. It's ideal to bring students who are looking for work or who have not selected their career yet. This event will give them exposure to a wide variety of roles and career opportunities.

What will students need to bring?

Students may bring copies of their current CV if they wish – but this is not mandatory. If students have their own internet-enabled mobile device, it's best to bring it to record the outcome of each mini-interview. If this isn't possible a paper alternative will be available.

It also pays for young people to look their best and bring a positive attitude to put their best foot forward!

Can learning support and disabled students come along?

Yes! Diversity in the workplace is a great thing. When registering your school, please indicate whether any students would like to attend with support people or if they'll need any other assistance.

What do schools and careers advisors/teachers need to do next?

- **Register!**
- Share information and insight into the trades and services with your students encourage them to think about the range of career opportunities available.
- Identify and encourage interested students who are ready to leave school.
- Include information in your school newsletter for parents and whanau and encourage them to talk to their student about SpeedMeet and the opportunities it may provide.
- Prepare students for the day. This could include: practice interviews, help in producing their CV, and give them some tips on dress and appearance.
- Some really good advice on preparing for interviews can be found at www.careers.govt.nz/job-hunting/interviews/
- Check out [SpeedMeet on News Hub](#)

