



OUR

MISSION

NAF NEXT

2024

Year of Planning



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A vibrant, multi-colored nebula in space, featuring swirling clouds of purple, pink, and blue gas. Numerous bright stars are scattered throughout the scene, some appearing as sharp points of light and others as soft, glowing spheres. The overall atmosphere is ethereal and cosmic.

Welcome

Agenda



- NAF Design & Network Highlights
- Year of Planning and Academy Quality Process
- Team Time | 4 Breakouts (Action Plan)
- Marketing Your Academy
- Share Your Mission...
- Wrap-up



NAF Design Overview

The NAF Design

NAF **ignites students' passion for learning** through an educational design featuring:



**Academy Development
& Structure**



**Advisory
Board**



**Program of
Study**



**Work-Based
Learning**

Network Highlights

Impact By The Numbers 2023-24



ACADEMIES



SCHOOLS



SENIORS
GRADUATED



STUDENTS



FEEL FULLY
PREPARED
FOR THE
WORKFORCE



STATES
plus DC, Puerto Rico,
and the
US Virgin Islands



COLLEGE-BOUND
GRADUATES

Engineering



Finance



*Health
Sciences*



*Hospitality &
Tourism*



*Information
Technology*



*Additional
Pathways*





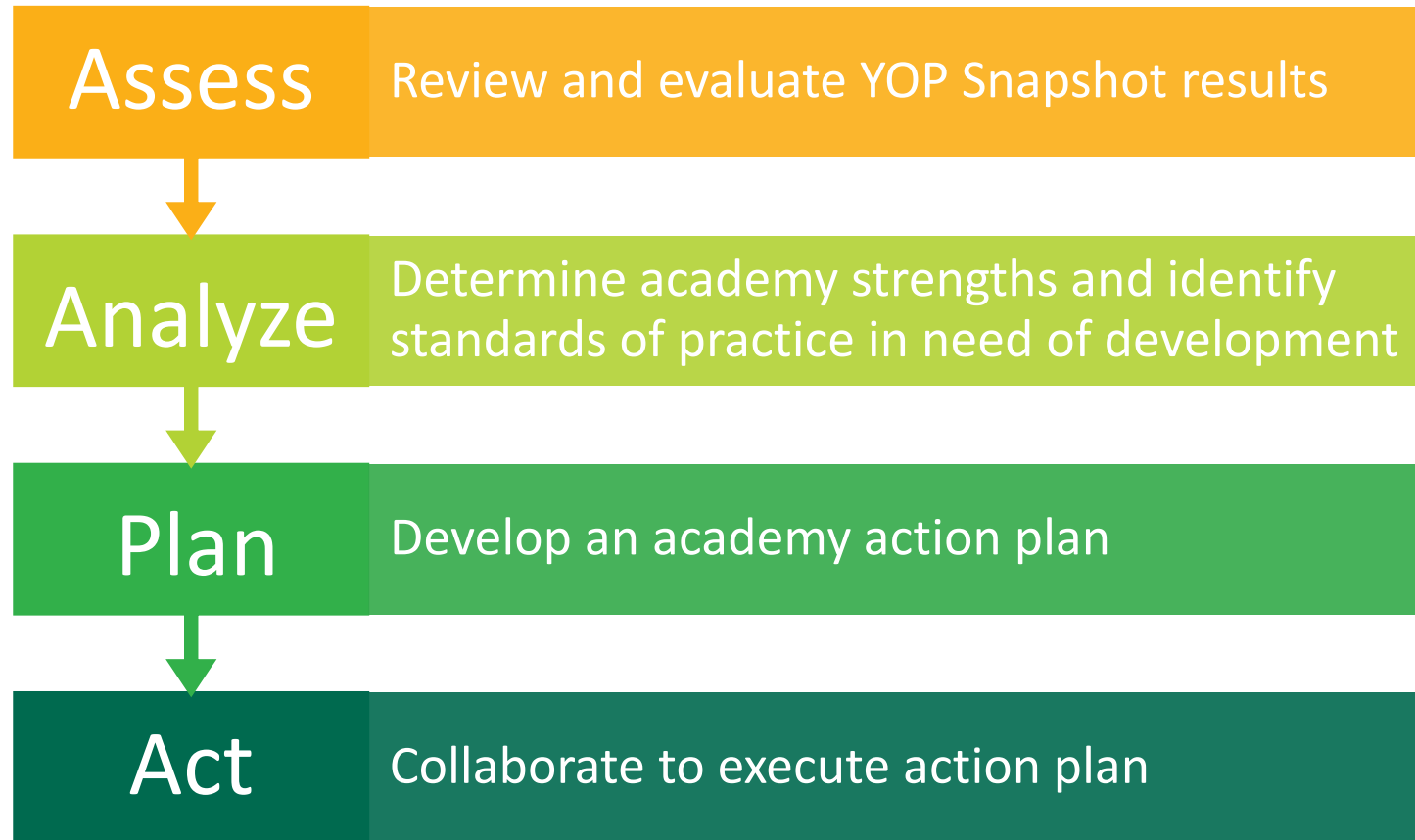
Year of Planning Process

YOP Roadmap



ash.naf.org/public/academy-development.yop

Academy Quality Process



YOP Snapshot: Design, Layout & Element

Element →

Element 1: Academy Development & Structure

1.1 Student Recruitment & Enrollment

1.1.a All students are eligible to enroll in the academy, and the academy accepts students through an open choice enrollment² process.

Not Started Underway Accomplished

1.1.b Academy develops a student recruitment plan that results in increasing student enrollment each year to meet the threshold³ criteria.

Not Started Underway Accomplished

Standard →

1.2 Personalized Environment

1.2.a Academy fosters a personalized learning environment⁴ that promotes student success in meeting college and career goals (e.g., learning plans, support network).

Not Started Underway Accomplished

1.3 Data Collection & Review

1.3.a Academy collects, analyzes, and reports academy and student-level data to inform academy practices and ensure educational equity for students.

Not Started Underway Accomplished

1.3.b Academy develops action plan goals with strategic actions for academy development.

Not Started Underway Accomplished

1.4 Academy Leadership

Strategic Action →

1.4.a Academy designates a lead or an academy team with clearly defined responsibilities for managing the academy program.

Not Started Underway Accomplished



Break Out 1

**Academy
Development &
Structure**

Network Development & Impact Team



Reedy Wade

Vice President
Academy Engagement & Impact



Josh Benfield



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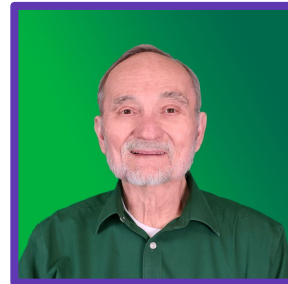
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Academy Development & Structure



- Small, focused learning communities
- Fit within and enhance existing high school systems
- Open choice enrollment
- Enrolls at least 20 students per grade level
- Flexible structure
- Collaborative design bringing together academy, business, and community leaders

Guiding Questions

Who is on your Academy Design Team?
What are their roles?

How can we create an academy structure
within our master schedule?

How do we develop an inclusive
academy culture?





Break Out 2

**Advisory
Board**

Advisory Board

Advisory boards and their members **provide an essential bridge** between the classroom and the workplace.



- The bridge between schools and the workplace
- 10-20 members
- 80% from the business community
- Over 4,000 members nation-wide
- Organize work-based learning activities
- Inform curricula
- Community advocates for the academy
- Provide and solicit financial support

Guiding Questions

What does an advisory board look like?
Composition?

As an academy, what do we need?

How do you recruit diverse AB members?
Who do we currently have?





Break Out 3

**Program of
Study**

Guiding Questions

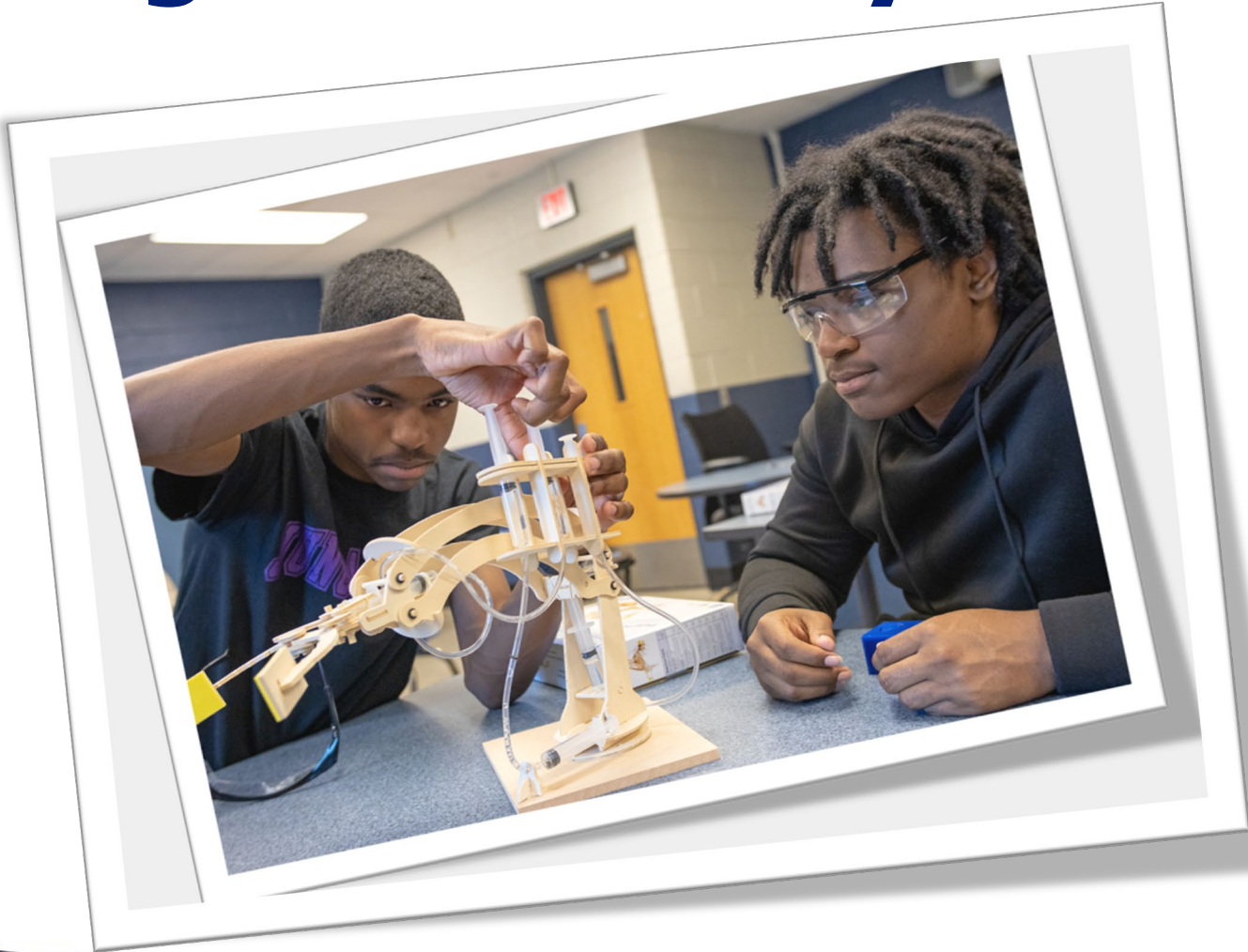
What is our current program of study?

Do we have personnel in place to support our program of study? Theme & Core?

What training, materials, and resources are needed prior to teaching a course?



Program of Study (Curriculum & Instruction)



NAF provides and curates rigorous, career-themed curricula and **authentic, career-connected projects** that incorporate current industry standards and practices.

- Career-themed
- Industry Validated
- STEM Infused
- Project-based
- Regularly Updated



Break Out 4

**Work-Based
Learning**

Work-Based Learning



Aspirations



Skill Sets



Connections

AWARENESS

- Guest Speaker
- Worksite Tour
- Career Fair

EXPLORATION

- Informational Interview
- Job Shadow
- Mock Interview
- Mentorship
- Resume Coaching/Review Session
- Skills Workshop
- Partner Engagement Project

PREPARATION

- Internship
- Mentored Industry Project
- Clinical Experience
- Apprenticeship/ Youth Apprenticeship

Outcomes Driven Work-Based Learning

Guiding Questions

What is work-based learning? What does it look like in our building?

How do we involve the Academy Design Team & Advisory Board in planning for work-based learning experiences?

How do we track and measure the impact of our equitable and inclusive work-based learning opportunities?





Marketing Your Academy

Meet the Marketing & Communications Team



Camille Currie

Vice President
Marketing &
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**Dana
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**Courtney
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**Zach
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**Joseiry
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**Jessica
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MARCOM SUPPORT

COMMUNICATIONS

- Press Release Templates
- Media Interviews

EVENT MARKETING

- NAF-branded swag
- Academy events (hosted by NAF)

DIGITAL MARKETING

- Social Media
- Email Newsletters

CREATIVE & BRANDING

- Academy Canva-Templates
- Custom academy logos

WE ARE NAF

Important Reminders

- National Academy Foundation --> NAF
 - NAF rebranded in 2015 and do not refer to ourselves as the former National Academy Foundation.
- NAF is pronounced NAF; Similar to laugh, staff, graph;
- NAF is not an acronym or abbreviation;
- Officially NAF does not stand for anything; However, we reiterate that NAF stands for access, equity, and opportunities for students



IN YOUR PLANNING



**MARKETING
LIBRARY**



High Resolution NAF Logo Files

Download and use these for NAF materials you create for your academies and to promote your academy in your districts.



NAF Style Guide

Become acquainted with the NAF brand, the do's and don't's of promoting our brand correctly.



Informational Materials

One pager and informational materials all about NAF's mission.

ON SOCIAL MEDIA



Facebook



Instagram



YouTube



Twitter



LinkedIn

@nafcareeracads

#BeFutureReady

Follow all our social media accounts to stay up-to-date on NAF events and information. Tag our accounts or use our hashtag in your own posts to join the NAF conversation!

WITH YOUR STUDENTS

APPAREL STORE BY
ROKKITWEAR

Go to store.naf.org and bring some NAF style to your academy!



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**SHARE YOUR
MISSION**

Share your Mission on Social Media!



Step 1: Choose a prompt to complete.

Step 2: Discuss with your table.

Step 3: Share on Social Media

- Use **#NAFNext24**
- Use **#BeFutureReady**
- Tag @NAFCareerAcads on Twitter & Instagram

Post **YOUR MISSION** for a chance to be highlighted on NAF's official social media outlets!



**I aspire for my students
to become...**



WRAP UP

We're In This Together!



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Wrap Up

Key Resources

- Visit Academy Support Hub (ASH)
 - YOP Guide
 - <https://ash.naf.org/public/academy-development.yop>
 - Counselor's Packet
 - Student Recruitment Guide

Optional Office Hours

- Tuesday: 10:00 - 11:00
- Wednesday: 11:15 - 12:15

Celebration Dinner

- Wednesday Reception: 5:30 - 6:30
- Wednesday Dinner: 6:45 - 10:00

Complete Session Evaluation

