

# Year of Planning



The Year of Planning (YOP) is a customized developmental process that helps schools establish a NAF academy. Throughout the planning process, NAF portfolio managers and support staff provide personalized guidance to align your academy's goals with NAF's design before the academy opens in its first operational year, called the Launch Year. Note: The YOP program is self-paced and flexible to meet local needs. Adjust pacing as needed.

## Team Building & Leadership

The first step in building an academy is recruiting individuals with a shared vision to form the **Academy Design Team (ADT)**. The ADT is a multi-disciplinary team representing the school community, combining their expertise and perspective to collaboratively develop an Academy Design Plan that prepares the academy for its Launch Year.

## Academy Design Plan

Utilize the **YOP Guide**, a comprehensive resource outlining the admissions program with activities and guiding questions to shape your academy's vision. The Guide streamlines the planning process, helping the ADT establish and monitor timelines and goals to complete the Academy Design Plan on time. Evidence collection is required to validate the completion of strategic actions essential for a successful Launch Year.

## THE NAF DESIGN

FOUR CORE ELEMENTS



### Academy Development & Structure

#### Standards of Practice

- Recruitment & Enrollment
- Personalization
- Data Collection & Review
- Leadership
- Professional Learning



### Advisory Board

#### Standards of Practice

- Membership & Operations
- Support for Learning
- Support for Sustainability



### Program of Study

#### Standards of Practice

- Academy Coursework & Authentic Project Learning
- College & Career Readiness



### Work-Based Learning

#### Standards of Practice

- Work-Based Learning Plan
- Participation & Equity

# Year of Planning Roadmap



## KEY STEPS TO DEVELOPING AN ACADEMY DESIGN PLAN

