



683K new jobs by 2031\*



## NAF APPROACH

NAF's design focuses on connecting the classroom to the workplace by integrating career-focused curricula and authentic learning projects into the traditional high school experience and offering realworld application opportunities. With a rigorous program of study and a progressive continuum of activities designed to build career awareness, exploration, and preparation, students gain the skills and knowledge needed to make informed choices and be successful in their future careers.



### **INDUSTRY NEED**

Overall employment in computer and information technology occupations is projected to grow much faster than the average for all occupations from 2022 to 2032. About 377,500 openings are projected each year, on average, in these occupations due to employment growth and the need to replace workers who leave the occupations permanently.

#### **CURRICULUM**

NAF's Future Ready Learning hosts a wide array of instructional content vetted by industry experts, post-secondary instructors, and professional organizations. The Academy of Information Technology curriculum includes:

- · Courses in information technology and computer science principles, coding, graphics, web, and digital design, computer networks and systems, and programming
- Authentic learning projects address real-world issues in partnership with career experts, including **Tech Expeditions**, **Engineering Expeditions**, and **Computer Science Education Week** challenges
- On-demand resources from Code.org

Essential partners supporting NAF's Academy of Information Technology curriculum include Code.org, Cyber.org, SAP, Verizon, Lenovo, World Wide Technology, Mastercard, Computer Science Teacher Association (CSTA), Google for Education, and Grow with Google.

#### **WORK-BASED LEARNING**

Industry professionals play a significant role in helping students see the connections between high school and the world of work. NAF collaborates with major corporations, post-secondary institutions, and local companies to provide career readiness and work-based learning experiences throughout the academy experience.

Students connect directly with information technology professionals to learn first-hand about careers in this industry and determine how their strengths and interests might be a good fit. Adults act as role models and guides to students, helping them develop the skills they will need to thrive in their future careers, navigate pathways to get there, and help them start building their professional network to open doors of opportunity. Businesses that collaborate with NAF academies play an active and integral role in shaping the future workforce and building their own local talent.



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# DATA AT A GLANCE

**28,231** STUDENTS







# NAF PREPARES STUDENTS TO #BEFUTUREREADY

63%

**MALE** 

34%

**FEMALE** 

2%

GENDER NON-CONFORMING OR UNKNOWN



**68%** 

ELIGIBLE FOR FREE/ REDUCED PRICE LUNCH



24%

ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS



100%
OF SENIORS GRADUATED



Hispanic / Latino Black / African American

White

/hite 1

Asian
Other / Multi-Racial

Unknown 3%

Pacific Islander <1% I
Native American / Alaska Native <1% I

**59%** 

GRADUATES JOIN THE WORKFORCE



91%

GRADUATES ARE COLLEGE BOUND



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