



new jobs



\$81K median annual wage*

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 workbased learning 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.



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INDUSTRY NEED

Overall employment in healthcare occupations is projected to grow much faster than the average for all occupations from 2023 to 2033. About 670,000 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. In addition to our own health science courses, we also endorse curriculum by Project Lead the Way (PLTW).

The Academy of Health Sciences curriculum includes

- Courses in anatomy and physiology, biotechnology, global health, and health careers, as well as
- New instructional units on Exploring Oral Health and AI in the Health Science Industry (launching in July 2025).
- Authentic learning projects called **NAF Expeditions** that address realworld issues in partnership with career experts, like Navigating a Career in Medicine and Sports Data Analytics.
- On-demand resources from PLTW, Harvard LabXchange, AAMC, and California Educators Together

Essential organizations supporting the NAF Academy of Health Sciences curriculum include Delta Dental, PLTW, Harvard LabXchange (LXC), National Consortium for Health Science Education (NCHSE), HOSA - Future Health Professionals, AAMC, 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 workbased learning experiences throughout the academy experience.

Students connect directly with health sciences 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. *The Bureau of Labor Statistics



ACADEMY OF **HEALTH SCIENCES**

DATA AT A **GLANCE**



17,735 **STUDENTS**



ACADEMIES





NAF PREPARES STUDENTS TO #BEFUTUREREADY

67%

MALE

FEMALE

REPORTED NEITHER

OF SENIORS GRADUATED This data is academy-reported.



65%

SENIORS FEEL PREPARED FOR THE WORKFORCE

higher than the national average





14,500 STUDENT **USERS**







\$200K

IN PRIZES **AWARDED** TOP PARTICIPANT **LOCATIONS**

> 25% Florida 12% Texas

11% New York

11% North Carolina

7% California



62%%

GRADUATES JOIN THE WORKFORCE



93%

GRADUATES ARE COLLEGE BOUND



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