

About NAF

For Students



NAF is where opportunity begins! We are a **national education non-profit** that brings schools and businesses together to better prepare students of all backgrounds. NAF helps students **explore career options, create a plan for the future, and take part in hands-on, work-based learning** unlike anything traditional public education systems can offer. NAF puts students on a path to achieving their full potential.

NAF academies support students from **freshman year of high school to senior year** with curricula and work-based learning experiences that progress each year.

Who is NAF for?

NAF is an elective option for any student who has an interest in joining a NAF academy. NAF encourages open enrollment and no prerequisites for participating. NAF may be the right option for you if you are looking for direction on career options available, interested in gaining professional skills that can be used across industries, or if you are looking to connect with a community ready to support you as you work to achieve your goals. You don't have to know what you want to do. You just have to be ready to start.

What's the Benefit of Being in a NAF Academy?

Through NAF, students have many unique opportunities beyond what a typical high school student may have. Students participate in a series of activities that give them access to expertise from business professionals, exposure to work environments, and opportunities to hone their professional skills. Through these activities students build their resumes and their network. In the classroom, students participate in career-connected courses and complete projects that are relative to the working world while also participating in a traditional educational experience.

NAF students participate in activities such as work site tours, career conversations, college tours, and more as part of their academy experience. In addition, NAF students may have opportunities to participate in challenges, attend and present at events and meetings, earn certifications, gain college credit through dual enrollment programs, and may qualify for scholarships. They also gain knowledge in what higher educational opportunities would align with their career goals. NAF students graduate with transferable skills, confidence, and a sense of direction.



NAF Pathways

NAF academies are offered in a variety of career pathways. Core to our offerings are finance, hospitality & tourism, information technology, engineering, and health sciences. NAF supports additional academies in pathways that align with the National Career Clusters Framework. Contact your teacher or career office to find out what pathways are offered at your school.



INFORMATION
TECHNOLOGY



HOSPITALITY
& TOURISM



HEALTH
SCIENCES



FINANCE



ENGINEERING

How Do I Get Started?

Contact your educator or career office learn more about NAF opportunities in your school

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