## MARKETING YOUR ACADEMY Action Planning Tips



- Invite students to campus before the start of school and plan academythemed onboarding activities.
- Create a positive welcome atmosphere with thoughtful touches like snacks.

#### Academy Swag

- Elevate your brand presence with customized items featuring your academy logo such as pens, t-shirts, banners, water bottles, and wrist bands.
- Ensure widespread awareness within the building by providing staff members with academy-branded items to foster a sense of community.

#### Academy Ambassadors

- Form a Social Media Team dedicate to share academy updates and achievements
- Empower students to greet and introduce guests.
- Serve on the Advisory Board (quarterly meetings suggested) to amplify student voices.

#### Academy-Wide Activities

- Celebrate Career Development and CTE Month to promote professional growth.
- Organize theme weeks such as National Engineers Week, IT Appreciation Day, and
- Health Awareness Month to bring excitement and relevance to curriculum.

#### Grade Level Signature Events/Projects

• Develop grade-specific events to create memorable experiences for students.

#### Parent Communications & Involvement

 Create a monthly newsletter for parents highlighting academy activities and upcoming events.



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# EVENT PLANNING

### **Marketing & Communication Tasks**



#### Branding

- Create a name for the event
- Design branded nametags with social media information
- Coordinate staff attire with branding

#### **Online and Email Campaigns**

- Send mass email invitations
- Create a promotional webpage
- Set up an RSVP system (e.g., Survey Monkey, Jotform, EventBrite)
- Create a form to collect additional information (e.g., email addresses)

#### **Promotional Materials**

- One-pagers and event flyers (templates available)
- Signage and banners (2 weeks' notice)
- Giveaways/Swag (store.naf.org)
- Custom NAF logo (contact <u>communications@naf.org</u>)

#### Social Media

- Create a hashtag to monitor online discussions throughout the event
- Assign students and staff the task of increasing social media engagement during the event

#### Publicity/Public Speaking

- Prepare a press release or media advisory
- · Conduct press outreach and develop talking points
- Create a PowerPoint with either general or custom slides

#### **Multimedia**

- Arrange photography (hire photographer or involve students)
- Organize video production (hire videographer, use school resources, or involve students)



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