

NAF Membership Benefits

Members of the NAF network have exclusive access to an array of opportunities and resources to support their professional needs and further the success of NAF academies. NAF invests significantly in research and innovation that enhance the NAF design to ensure curriculum is on the cutting edge of industry standards and to best support the network. The annual membership fee allows NAF to continue to invest and innovate, though it represents less than 10% of the cost to deliver these resources and services. Supports available to all academies include the following categories of services:

Academy Design Support

- Virtual or in-person action planning, curriculum integration, WBL, Employer Engagement/Advisory Board support, regional/districts trainings, etc.
- Online resources for all elements of the educational design, including access to 30 industry vetted career courses linked to Common Core Standards
- Technical Assistance and Professional Development for pathway design and implementation
- Work-based learning planning and implementation support
- Advisory board development and employer Engagement supports
- Virtual and in-person professional learning opportunities such as voucher support for attending NAF Next, peer networking opportunities, national convenings and regional workshops, and webinars
- Marketing and communications support and resources in publicity, branding, and marketing

Funding and Partner Engagement

- Leveraging national partners for local support – NAF works with national corporate partners to engage their employees in supporting local academies.
- Grant and Funding Opportunities
- Scholarships for NAF graduates

NAFTrack Certified Hiring

- Employer Engagement – NAF cultivates relationships with many of the top companies in the United States to offer unique benefits to NAF certified graduates.
- NAFTrack Certification – NAF's student certification system includes its End-of-Course exams, culminating project assessments, and an internship assessment. The system also enables tracking of results from a wide range of approved third party courses and assessments, as well as postsecondary courses. Among the services are:
- MyNAFTrack (2016): The myNAFTrack platform will bring all NAFTrack stakeholders together in one system that provides benefits to them all.

Data-Driven Support

- NAF academies are guided by 15 standards of practice that are research-based and built on over 30 years' experience. In order to effectively participate in a continuous improvement cycle. Specific data supports covered include:
 - Data Center - Technical support on systems and reporting
 - Academy Assessment - Technical support on systems and use
 - Needs Assessment and Action Plan
 - Action planning system integrated with academy assessment, with key resources tailored to individual needs
 - Sustainability planning