

## ACADEMY OF HEALTH SCIENCES



**2M**

new jobs by 2031\*



**\$75K**

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 real-world 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.



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### INDUSTRY NEED

Employment in healthcare occupations is projected to grow 13 percent from 2021-2031 adding 2 million new jobs over the decade, with 1.9 million openings expected each year due to replacements and new opportunities.

### 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 Health Sciences** curriculum includes courses in anatomy and physiology, biotechnology, global health, and health careers, on-demand resources from Harvard LabXchange, and authentic learning projects that address real-world issues in partnership with career experts, like **Health Sciences Expeditions**.

Essential partners supporting the NAF Academy of Health Sciences curriculum include Harvard LabXchange (LXC), National Consortium for Health Science Education (NCHSE), HOSA - Future Health Professionals, Optum, and Grow with Google, Amgen and Optum.

### 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 health science professionals to learn first-hand about careers in this industry and determine how their strengths and interests might be a good fit. Adults serve 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**

**17,700**  
STUDENTS



**88**  
ACADEMIES

**17**  
STATES

**43**  
DISTRICTS

**NAF PREPARES STUDENTS TO #BEFUTUREREADY**

**28%**

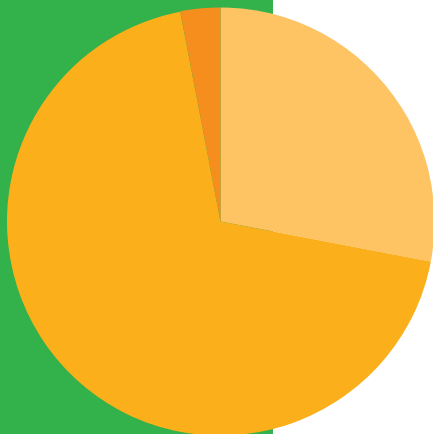
MALE

**69%**

FEMALE

**3%**

GENDER NON-CONFORMING  
OR UNKNOWN



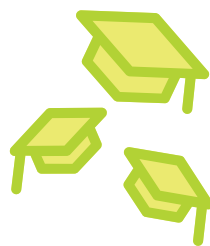
**72%**

ELIGIBLE FOR FREE/  
REDUCED PRICE LUNCH



**24%**

ENGLISH LANGUAGE  
LEARNERS



**99%**

OF SENIORS GRADUATED



Hispanic / Latino	47%
Black / African American	26%
White	14%
Asian	6%
Other / Multi-Racial	4%
Unknown	2%
Pacific Islander	<1%
Native American / Alaska Native	<1%



**37%**

SENIORS WITH  
INTERNSHIPS



**93%**

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TO COLLEGE



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