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

28% MALE
69% FEMALE
3% GENDER NON-CONFORMING OR UNKNOWN

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%

72% ELIGIBLE FOR FREE/REDUCED PRICE LUNCH
24% ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS
99% OF SENIORS GRADUATED
37% SENIORS WITH INTERNSHIPS
93% PLAN TO GO TO COLLEGE

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