BENEFIT JOURNAL
Where Opportunity Begins

Honoring Sanford I. Weill
Founder & Chairman, NAF
in celebration of his 90th Birthday

A special evening featuring NAF's students & alumni
This year, we come together to celebrate our mission, our committed partners, our generous donors, and most of all, our talented students and alumni. We also have the opportunity to honor and celebrate our Chairman and Founder Sandy Weill for his 90th birthday, recognizing his tremendous legacy of supporting communities, promoting economic mobility, breaking down barriers, growing talent pipelines, and transforming lives. Since our founding, NAF has supported over half a million students on their pathway to future success.

At NAF, we know it all begins with exposure to the right class, the right internship, the right mentor, or just stepping through the right door. Relevant career-focused curriculum coupled with a series of work-based learning experiences designed with outcomes in mind ensures that students of all backgrounds and capabilities, particularly students of color and those who may lack access, have equal opportunities that will support them in defining their own career path and set them up for success long-term. Aspirations, skills, and connections are the recipe for success.

NAF is not just teaching students – we are supporting them as they become the architects of their own futures. And you, our generous supporters, have played a critical role in making it all possible. Your contributions—whether they are time, resources, or mentorship—are the fuel that propels NAF forward. By investing in NAF, you invest in the future. You become a part of a movement that is changing lives and reshaping communities.

This all started because of an idea. An idea that began as a group of 30 students at John Dewey High school in Brooklyn, in the very first Academy of Finance. Today, over 40 years later, NAF supports more than 600 academies and 112,000 students across 35 states and U.S. territories and boasts a robust alumni network filled with success stories. Academies report that 99% of seniors graduate, with 87% reporting that they are college-bound.

Thank you to our generous sponsors, partners and supporters who financially invest, volunteer and give back to today’s students and tomorrow’s leaders. Thank you to our incredible and passionate educators who implement NAF’s proven best practices in their classrooms every day. Your support drives our success and help students ignite career aspirations, helps them become future ready, and puts them on a path to achieving their full potential.

Because of your generosity tonight, today’s students and generations to come will have the opportunity to aspire and achieve beyond their wildest dreams.

Thank you for investing in the very best of the future.

SINCERELY,
Lisa Dughi, CEO, NAF
OUR MISSION

NAF solves some of the biggest challenges facing education and the economy by bringing education, business, and community leaders together to transform the high school experience.

OUR VISION

NAF envisions a world in which all young people have equal opportunities for successful futures.
NATIONAL IMPACT

112,415 STUDENTS
361 SCHOOLS
3,730 ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS

52% MALE
46% FEMALE
2% GENDER NON-CONFORMING OR UNKNOWN

45% Hispanic / Latino
26% Black / African American
17% White
5% Asian
3% Other / Multi-Racial
2% Unknown
<1% Pacific Islander
<1% Native American / Alaska Native

17% English Language Learners
65% Eligible for free/reduced price lunch

99% SENIORS GRADUATED
88% GRADUATES ARE COLLEGE BOUND
62% GRADUATES JOIN THE WORKFORCE
2% JOIN THE MILITARY

ACADEMIES

175 FINANCE
65 ADDITIONAL

79 HOSPITALITY & TOURISM
88 HEALTH SCIENCES

90 ENGINEERING
170 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

604 ACADEMIES

3,730 ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS

GRADUATES TAKING ON THE WORLD

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1980 Sanford I. Weill partners with NYC DOE to create NAF.

1982 The first Academy of Finance launches at John Dewey High School in Brooklyn, New York with the goal of preparing students for careers in the finance industry.

1984 The inaugural Academy of Finance class graduates. 34 out of 35 seniors go on to college.

1987 Following the success of the Academy of Finance, the Academy of Hospitality & Tourism launches to prepare young people for careers in one of the world’s largest industries. Academies open in New York and Miami, with the support of the American Express Foundation and Marriott International.

1989 NAF is officially established as the National Academy Foundation to provide support and leadership to its growing network of 37 academies.

1999 President Clinton makes the keynote speech at NAF’s 15th annual professional development conference in Anaheim, California.

2000 In response to the dot-com boom, NAF creates the Academy of Information Technology, launching in 12 high schools across the country, with support from AT&T, Alcatel-Lucent, Hewlett-Packard Company, Oracle Corporation, United Technologies Corporation, and Verizon.

2007 NAF partners with Project Lead The Way and the National Action Committee for Minorities in Engineering to develop the Academy of Engineering. The launch is made possible by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Motorola, Verizon, Xerox, and over 40 other technology companies.

2009 President Obama appoints NAF Board Members, Ursula M. Burns and Lowell C. McAdam, to his Educate to Innovate campaign, a national initiative to improve US students’ STEM skills.

2011 To prepare students for jobs in healthcare, NAF launches the Academy of Health Sciences, with support from the Aetna Foundation, the Amgen Foundation, the James S. Irvine Foundation, and Johnson & Johnson.
40+ YEARS OF OPPORTUNITY

2013 NAF forms the STEM Advisory Committee to address the growing role Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) play in the nation’s economy and ensure a diverse workforce in these fields.

2014 NAF debuts NAFTrack Certification.

2015 NAF rebrands, introducing a new visual identity, name, and tagline, Be Future Ready — a powerful expression of the spirit of innovation guiding its work.

2017 In its 35th anniversary year, NAF launches a new five-year strategic plan and a $135 million capital campaign. NAF develops Industry Hotspots, place-based partnerships with groups of companies who share workforce development goals, and pilots Future Ready Labs, an innovative solution to scaling internship experiences.

2020 Pivoted our support during the COVID-19 pandemic to a virtual space – opening up access to our resources and creating Education Today as a means of providing resources to educators teaching virtually.

2021 Former NAF President, Lisa Dughi, is appointed to CEO in July 2021. Lisa first came to NAF in 2012 and applied her business and consulting background to the nonprofit space, before becoming Vice President of Marketing and Communications, helping to lead NAF’s rebrand in 2015. From there, she became NAF’s Chief Operating Officer, overseeing NAF’s daily operations. As CEO, she spearheads the organization’s work implementing its new strategic plan, prioritizing every type of learner and workforce member.

2023 Over half a million supported since founding and celebrated 10 years of the Academy of Health Sciences supporting 60,000 since its inception!
Mr. Weill is Chairman Emeritus of Citigroup and CEO of Casa Rosa Ventures. He retired as CEO of Citigroup on October 1, 2003, and served as non-executive Chairman until April 18, 2006. On April 29, 2014, Mr. Weill was named a member of CNBC’s First 25: top rebels, icons and leaders, a definitive list of 25 people around the world who have had the greatest influence, sparked the biggest changes, and caused the most disruption in business over the past quarter century.

Mr. Weill, who had been Chairman and CEO of Travelers, became Chairman of its predecessor, Commercial Credit Company, in 1986, successfully leading the company through a public stock offering by its then-parent, Control Data Corporation.

Prior to 1986, Mr. Weill had been President of American Express Company and Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of its Fireman’s Fund Insurance Company subsidiary.

Mr. Weill is Chairman of the Weill Family Foundation; Chairman Emeritus of Weill Cornell Medicine; President of Carnegie Hall; Past Chair and Current Member of UCSF Executive Council; Member of the Board of Visitors at UC Berkeley; Member of the Chancellor’s Board of Advisors at UC Davis; Member of the Board of Directors for the Lang Lang International Music Foundation; and Director Emeriti for CECP’s Board of Directors. He is a member of the prestigious American Academy of Arts and Sciences and along with his wife of 67 years, Joan, is a recipient of the 2009 Carnegie Medal of Philanthropy; 2017 Kennedy Center Award for the Human Spirit; and 2022 Forbes 400 Lifetime Achievement Award for Philanthropy.
Long a proponent of education, Mr. Weill instituted a joint program with the New York City Board of Education in 1980 that created the Academy of Finance, which trains high school students for careers in financial services. He serves as Founder and Chairman of NAF, which oversees more than 600 NAF Academies across 35 states and territories. In 2022 NAF academies reported 99% of seniors graduated with 88% of graduates planning to go to college. New York Governor Andrew Cuomo appointed Mr. Weill as a Member of his New York Education Reform Commission. Mr. Weill has received honorary degrees from Bank Street College of Education; Howard University; Hofstra University; the University of New Haven; Sonoma State University; and the Technion Israel Institute of Technology.


A longtime friend of President Gerald R. Ford’s, Mr. Weill was an Honorary Pallbearer at the late President’s State Funeral and is a Trustee of the Gerald R. Ford Foundation. Mr. Weill was awarded the 2013 Montblanc de la Culture Arts Patronage Award and he and Mrs. Weill were recipients of the 2009 Carnegie Medal of Philanthropy Award. Mr. Weill is also the recipient of the 2014 Jackie Robinson Foundation Lifetime Achievement Award.

Mr. Weill, who was born on March 16, 1933, is a graduate of Cornell University. He and his wife Joan have been married for over 60 years. They have two children and four grandchildren.
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The Academy of Health Sciences at Jennings Senior High School prepares future nurses, doctors, physicians, veterinarians, and other professions in the medical field, such as forensic scientists and mortuary scientists, through a hands-on project-based approach to learning that accumulates in an internship at local and esteemed universities.

Project: IT’S AN EMERGENCY: A Citizen’s Access to Healthcare: Being unable to access emergency healthcare efficiently can be life or death. Students researched and analyzed the healthcare industry and access to care in St. Louis, to identify potential problems, and will propose solutions on how to make quality healthcare more accessible for St. Louis citizens.

Harmony Magnet Academy & Granite Hills High School, Academy of Information Technology | Porterville, CA

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Scotlandville Magnet High School, Academy of Engineering | Baton Rouge, LA

The Scotlandville Magnet High School, Academy of Engineering boasts an effective advisory board partnership, which enables educators to provide various engineering experiences and work-based opportunities for the benefit of students.

Project: Engineering Drone Zone: Students learn about the complexities of drone engineering and piloting, by studying the mechanical composure of drones and completing their project with a flight demonstration.
Lely High School, Academy of Finance | Naples, FL

Students learn communication, collaboration, presentation, and critical thinking skills through entrepreneurship, and utilize the business model canvas to create a business from soup to nuts. Additionally, they work with business professionals and pitch the business, at the end of the year, to secure funding.

Project: High School Entrepreneurship: Students invented a new and unique way to store small items within a hairbrush, to ensure belongings are safe during athletic practices, traveling, amusement rides, etc. Students are currently working on creating a business and bringing the product to market.

Frederick Douglass Academy for Young Men, Academy of Geographic Information Systems | Detroit, MI

Frederick Douglass Academy provides a flexible structure that combines career-focused content in the classroom, with real-world application and exposure to the working world. This pathway is designed to provide opportunities to local Detroit High School students and offers the incentive to join the tech industry in a way that fits their specific interests. It teaches them about Geospatial Information Systems (GIS), which create, manage, analyze, and map all types of data and the curriculum introduces students to the basics of all necessary worksite skills requiring technology, features hands-on GIS data collection and analysis in the field, and trains them with the use and piloting of drones used in the industry.

Project: Douglass Flight Club: Drones in the D: Students learn about the major features of drone hardware, as well as the local and global infrastructure that supports drone activities. Software and coding round out the experience, as students program their drones to perform tasks. As a culminating challenge, students apply lessons learned to showcase their piloting, programming, troubleshooting, and teamwork skills.

Monarch High School, Academy of Hospitality of Hospitality & Tourism | Coconut Creek, FL

The Academy of Hospitality & Tourism at Monarch High Schools helps students prepare for their futures, through work-based learning activities, that provide real-world experience. The academy secures guest speakers from various hotels and restaurants to meet with students and allow them to start building their professional networks.

Project: Business Solutions Project: Marketing A Hospitality Business: Students utilized a project management process to help promote Jeremiah’s Italian Ice, a new business in the local community which opened on campus, by hosting a fundraiser, giving out samples, distributing coupons, and developing a commercial.
NAF is shifting to an outcomes-driven approach to work-based learning, with a student-centered focus on goal setting and aspirations, transferable work skills, and meaningful professional relationships. As a result of this new approach, students will be more confident and better prepared to navigate their professional journey after high school. These students will be able to identify their careers of interest, map a plan to reach their goals, master skills they need to be successful, and make connections with professionals who can help them navigate their path forward. The ODWBL approach will be launching to the Network during NAF Next July 12-14, 2023.

**3 OUTCOMES**

**ASPIRATIONS**
Each student will have defined and mapped a plan for at least one career path.

**SKILLS**
Each student will have worked to develop the 6 Future Ready skills, received continuous feedback from industry partners, Advisory Board members, and/or local community professionals, and be able to articulate their strengths.

**CONNECTIONS**
Each student will develop at least three professional connections.

**6 FUTURE READY SKILLS**

- **COLLABORATION**
- **COMMUNICATION**
- **PROBLEM SOLVING**
- **INITIATIVE & SELF-DIRECTION**
- **SOCIAL AWARENESS**
- **PLANNING FOR SUCCESS**
OUTCOMES-DRIVEN WORK-BASED LEARNING
OVERVIEW

THE ODWBL DIFFERENCE

- Increased focus on student voice and equity of opportunities
- Specific, defined outcomes vs. general WBL activities
- Impact by design, not default
- Cycle of continuous improvement informed by data

DATA SOURCES FOR ASSESSING OUTCOMES

- **WBL Participation Tracker** – Tool giving educators the ability to log all WBL activities in one place, connect students to each activity, and document which organizations and people volunteered their time.

- **WBL Reflection Form** – Students complete this after each WBL activity, helping them see their own growth over time and share feedback with educators to inform future planning. Questions vary depending on which WBL activity is selected.

- **Skills Feedback Tool** – Short assessment completed by a professional who participated in a WBL activity to evaluate the skills demonstrated by each student they interacted with.

- **Future Ready Skills Assessment** – In-depth assessment completed by a professional who supervised a student during a WBL activity from the Career Preparation phase of the WBL continuum (internship, mentored industry project, clinical experience, apprenticeship/youth apprenticeship).

- **Annual NAF Student Survey** – Comprehensive survey administered to all NAF students, asking them questions about aspects of their academy experience (including a section on WBL).

PERSPECTIVES FROM THE NAF NETWORK

"This approach provides an opportunity to view your program holistically... overall it will allow your Academy to provide meaningful experiences and prepare your students to be Future Ready." – NAF Educator

"The Future Ready Skills are a great guiding place for what we need to work on.”
– NAF Student

Increased focus on student voice and equity of opportunities
American Express joins NAF students and alumni in honoring:

**Sanford I. Weill**  
Founder & Chairman, NAF

In celebration of his 90th birthday
Congratulations Sandy on this special birthday you continue to do so much for NAF and other organizations and have made a constructive difference in so many young people’s lives.

Barbara and Steve Friedman
The Carol and Gene Ludwig Family Foundation is pleased to support the 19th Annual Benefit in honor of **SANFORD I. WEILL’S** longstanding and visionary work at NAF
Jim and Linda Robinson endorse and fully support NAF’s mission to ensure all students have access to the tools to become college, career, and future ready.
We’re giving our time to local communities and organizations through volunteerism. Verizon is leveraging its technology, innovation and people to address some of the biggest challenges in the world today. Our volunteer efforts focus on three main pillars: digital inclusion, climate protection and human prosperity. Our goal is to reach more than 2.5 million hours of combined volunteer efforts by 2025.

Seize the hour, move the world forward.

Learn more at verizon.com/volunteer
With love and the greatest admiration of a life well lived and in service of promoting opportunity for the human spirit to thrive!!! Happy Birthday!

Robert F. Smith
Lifelong learning offers new ways to grow

Envision a world with equity and access to opportunity

KPMG is proud to support NAF. We are committed to empowering students to become college, career and future ready. #Together #ForBetter

Discover more at kpmg.com/us
The Blackstone Charitable Foundation is proud to support NAF and salutes the 19th Annual Benefit honoree, Sanford I. Weill, Founder & Chairman, NAF.
Happy Birthday, Sandy!

-Ken & Kathy
Celebrating a lifetime of putting others first:

On behalf of the hundreds of thousands of lives you’ve impacted, we wish you a wonderful 90th birthday with a big thank you. Thank you for your drive, thank you for your vision and thank you for your work to make the world a more equal place.

Happy Birthday, Sandy.
My Mentor.

Jeffrey J. Feil
Congratulations on NAF's continued growth and impact. Special thanks and birthday wishes to Sandy Weill for his leadership and support!

Warm regards,

Harold McGraw III

Former Chairman, CEO and President

The McGraw-Hill Companies
S&P Global is proud to support NAF for 40 years of transforming the high school experience.

Congratulations to the 2023 honoree:
Sanford I. Weill
Founder and Chairman of NAF
Thank you Sandy Weill for your leadership and commitment to our youth!

WWT honors and celebrates you, NAF, our students and teachers!
Best wishes to our friends Sandy and Joan Weill as they celebrate this milestone birthday.

Robert and Angela Kissane
Tom and Shalini Kissane
And Your Friends at CCS
Citi is proud to support NAF’s 19th Annual Benefit honoring NAF’s Chairman and Founder, Sanford I. Weill as he celebrates his 90th Birthday.
Thank you, Sandy, for creating NAF and helping so many students around the United States for so many years, your on-going dedication to the mission is wonderful. Happy birthday!

John & Nancy Donnelly
Sandy, it has been a great pleasure to see NAF's growth over the years. You've created such a meaningful and impactful legacy.

Wishing you a wonderful 90th birthday!

Bob & Maura Dughi
Congratulations and a very Happy Birthday to our Honoree, Sandy Weill! Thank You for Your Leadership, Mentorship and Generosity.

We Salute NAF as it Prepares Students to Become Future Leaders

Beth and Michael Klein
So proud to team up with NAF to celebrate the milestone birthday for my dear friend SANDY WEILL and for investing in the future of our young students

ROBERT KRAFT
The J. Willard and Alice S. Marriott Foundation applauds NAF’s work in preparing students to be Future Ready!
Happy Birthday Sandy!
Skadden is proud to support NAF and congratulates this year’s honoree, Sanford I. Weill.
Happy Birthday Sandy!

From Your Friends At

TISHMAN SPEYER
Congratulations and Happy 90th Birthday wishes to Honoree Sandy Weill!

The Bisignano Family
Sandy, thank you for your decades of leadership preparing students to Be Future Ready! It has been wonderful to see the transformational impact of NAF over the last several years. Here’s to many more!

Very best,
Lynne & Ben Doughtie
The Kapor Center aims to make the technology ecosystem and entrepreneurship more diverse and inclusive.
Sandy, we applaud your incredible work in ensuring bright futures for all students.

Wishing you a wonderful milestone birthday!

Roberta & Harvey Golub
Dear Sandy, every one of your 90 years has been a Priceless one!
Happy birthday and looking forward to celebrating many more!

Ritu and Ajay Banga
Develop tomorrow’s health system.

NAF and Lenovo Celebrate 10 Years of Partnership.


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Welcome NAF Academy Students
One platform for all digitalization
Secure, high speed, low latency private 5G network solutions for the digital era.

Work with the global industry leaders

ENSURE PROFIT OR EMPOWER PURPOSE?
YES.

ONCE UPON A TIME, YOU HAD TO CHOOSE: DO GOOD IN THE WORLD OR MAKE GOOD ON THE BOTTOM LINE. NOT ANYMORE.

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Let’s put YES to work together. For good.
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The United Federation of Teachers
Salutes
NAF
on its
19th Annual Benefit

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United Federation of Teachers
A Union of Professionals
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Happy 90th Birthday, Sandy, from NAF’s Alumni Leadership Council!

Thank you for your wisdom, leadership, and guidance.

We celebrate you today and always!
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Members of the NAF Board are leaders in their fields and powerful advocates for improving education and workforce development.

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STEM ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Members share major industry trends, inform NAF's approach to STEM-enabling strategies in curriculum, work-based learning, advisory board development, college access, and professional development. The addition of devoted industry expertise to existing programs allows NAF to become the gold standard in STEM education.

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TAKE ACTION

DONATE
Make a one-time or monthly tax-deductible gift to support students as they define, explore, and experience their future careers. You can also contribute via NAF’s website, Donor Advised Fund, stock transfer, or planned giving programs.

VOLUNTEER
Support students in cultivating their skills by conducting a mock interview, assisting in a resume writing workshop, or mentoring. Join a local advisory board and play a key role in bringing work-based learning to NAF academy students.

BECOME A CORPORATE PARTNER
Help students build social capital and gain real-world experience by becoming a corporate partner. Our corporate partners may have opportunities to serve on our advisory boards, hire interns and alumni, volunteer at our academies, connect with students through work-based learning activities, and support innovative learning and teaching strategies.

CONNECT YOUR COMPANY
Reach out to your HR department to see if your company has a Corporate Social Responsibility program and explore the perks they may offer to causes that their employees care about. Your company could have a matching gift program that will double, and sometimes even triple, employee gifts. You can also see if there are available event sponsorships and grants through your company.

Hire students as interns and give them the opportunity to apply their skills to add value for your company.

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