## Who are the Academy of Finance students?

In June 2024, the Academy of Finance celebrated its 33rd graduating class, which earned several million dollars in college scholarships.

100% of our students are college, military or work bound, ranked at the top of their class, and have been accepted to the finest colleges such as Brown, Harvard, NYU, University of Miami, Johns Hopkins, Rensselaer, and Sophie Davis School of Biomedical Education, to name a few.

AOF students have professional resumes and business cards...They know all about business etiquette, proper interviewing skills, the importance of networking, and how to dress for success.

# **Real world connection**

Work-Based Learning is an educational strategy that provides students with the opportunity to put theory into practice with real-life work experiences.

This can range from internships to job shadowing, simulations, volunteering or mentorship programs.

WBL gives students the opportunity to explore what they have learned in the classroom within a real-world context.

# **Courses Offered**

Our Entrepreneurship & Management curriculum is a NYSED Approved Career and Technical Education program that is offered to all students.

The Academy of Finance connects high school students with the world of financial services, management and entrepreneurship, offering a curriculum that covers:

- Principles of Finance
- Career and Financial Management
- Principles of Accounting
- Managerial Accounting
- Financial Planning\*
- Marketing
- Entrepreneurship\*
- Business in a Global Economy

In order to graduate with NAF Recognition students must complete a minimum of four classes.

\*Students may earn college credits through our partnership with the Early College Experience at Westchester Community College.

Students may be eligible to be inducted into the Business Honor Society.

After passing an industry certification assessment, students can earn a Technical Endorsement on their diploma.

# **Our Partners**

Our academy relies on high level support and the highest caliber leadership from its advisory board and local partners, representing the following companies:

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# **Academy Mission**

Our mission is to support the development of our students towards personal and professional success in high school, college and careers.



### **AOF Data**

Opportunities in business and financial operations are projected to grow from 2022-2032, faster than the average for all occupations, with 911k new jobs at an average of 77k in wages.

Businesses play an active and integral role in shaping the future workforce and building a talent pipeline that will one day soon be eligible to fill roles within their companies.

Career Academies increase the engagement of students and provide a way beyond the walls of the school to enhance students' educational experience.

Upon graduation students become part of a large network.

There are 176 academies across 31 states, that service almost 33,000 students.

#### **Student Perspective**

93% of students feel they know how to schedule their time and accomplish tasks.

83% feel that their teachers tried to get to know students and build a positive working relationship with them.

80% think work-based learning experiences helped them explore possible careers.

70% of seniors indicated that they feel prepared to attend college.



**Open Choice Enrollment** 

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