

## NAF Curriculum Statement of Beliefs

An integrated system of high standards, curriculum, instruction, assessments, and support is one of the core principles of the National Academy Foundation. It is integral to the other five core NAF principles:

- Personalized learning environment
- Academic engagement of all students
- Empowered educators
- Accountable leaders
- Engaged communities and youth

The NAF curriculum contains essential content based on industry and educational expertise. The content is organized and sequenced in a way that students have ample opportunity to learn it. The NAF curriculum also focuses on the following:

- Habits of Mind (Costa & Kallick)
- Rigor and relevance
- Project/Problem-Based Instruction
- Continuous updating.
- Nationally recognized educational and industry standards
- Research-based pedagogy
- Subject integration

Along with the internship experience, the NAF curriculum leads a student to become college ready, career oriented, an effective communicator, a problem solver, and an engaged learner.