

Our mission is to ENCOURAGE achievement and social responsibilities, ENGAGE students through real-world experiences, and ENABLE students to grow and be versatile amidst industry change.

What We Do

The Academy of Hospitality & Tourism is a small learning community where students enroll in career and industry specific electives in addition to their core academic instruction in Math, Science, Social Studies, and English.

Throughout the four year course, students are exposed to a multitude of experiences ranging from developing and running events, participating in community service, presenting final projects to local business leaders, and so much more. Students are heavily engaged in customer service, event planning, sustainable tourism, finance, and honing public speaking skills.

Each year the academy courses focus on industry specific areas that make up a great portion of today's job market.

In this academy you will learn and have the ability to participate in:

- Extended Classroom Trips
- Behind the scenes view of many industries
- Job Shadowing
- Community Service
- Internships
- Industry validated Curriculum
- Guest Speakers
- Working Portfolio



Not only are our students active in our community, but are heavily involved in our school.

Learn about what we are doing for our students : southernleaoh.t.weebly.com

What is NAF?

The National Academy Foundation (NAF), is a non-profit organization that has created a model of instruction based on four main components: Curriculum & Instruction, Work Based Learning, Advisory Boards, and Academy Development & Structure.

At completion of this four year program students have the ability to become NAFTRACK Certified.

Benefits of this include:

- Pre-interview and resume support
- Guaranteed interviews and priority hiring at specific locations
- Potential for higher starting salaries
- Paid high school and college internship opportunities

The academy is an exciting program that will challenge you and help further your career interests.

In the Academy, students will :

- Network with local, state, and national employers
- Develop strong soft-skill sets
- Apply for scholarships from business partners
- Earn industry certifications.

