THE ACADEMY OF FINANCE, A ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME OPPORTUNITY!

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**PURPOSE**
The Academy of Finance is a member of the National Academy Foundation, a national network of education, business and community leaders who work together to ensure high school students are college, career, and future ready. The program gives high school students an opportunity to learn about and prepare for college careers in business and finance. Emphasis is placed on a college preparatory curriculum that is directly linked to the business world. Our mission is to ensure that our students learn business skills to prepare for the future, gain knowledge of money management by making better financial decisions, and practice real-life workplace applications. All students will learn, work as a team, develop personal excellence, show civility to all, and give back to the community. The Academy of Finance focuses on broad, transferable skills and stresses understanding and demonstration of financial industry elements such as: accounting, economics, financial planning; management; banking, credit, computer technology and applications; insurance; international trade, economics; leadership and community involvement, marketable skills for job placement, money management, securities (stocks and bonds), tax preparation, and writing a business plan.

AOF establishes an on-going relationship that involves corporate executives, school personnel, parents and students, and results in paid internships, scholarships, certifications, college preparation, and employment opportunities.

**PROGRAM**
Northeast High School’s Academy of Finance is a very unique program. It offers a combination of educational excellence and work experience to provide a competitive advantage in securing a job and advancing one’s career goals. Many opportunities to explore career options are provided. They include:
- Career Shadowing
- Mentorship
- Corporate Visits
- Interaction with Business Leaders
- Internships
- Field Trips
- Working in an on-site banking facility
- Parents As Liaisons

**VIKING BRANCH**
Academy of Finance members enjoy a unique opportunity to learn financial skills. Finance academy students operate the Viking Branch, an official branch of Achieva Credit Union located on school campus. Students work as branch managers, tellers, auditors, member service advisors and marketing staff. The Viking Branch provides opportunities to maintain saving and checking accounts. A specialized Viking ATM card is available to Northeast student members.

**SCHOLARSHIP/COLLEGE CREDIT**
Students who complete the program and meet academic requirements are eligible for scholarships and college credit. The Academy of Finance has an articulation agreement with St. Petersburg College and Johnson & Wales University.

**RECOGNITION & AWARDS**
- Articulation with Johnson & Wales University
- Articulation with St. Petersburg College
- Gold Seal Scholarship
- Governor’s Award for Excellence in Teaching Economics
- National Academy Foundation Certification
- National Association for Tech-Prep Leadership, Employer Partnership Recognition Award
- National Career Academy Coalition - Model Program
- National Academy Foundation - Distinguished Academy
- NTPN/Caterpillar Inc. Exemplary Worksite Learning Award
- FBLA membership – district, state and national
- National Academy Foundation Model Program