

Bulldogs on Wall Street

WHS ACADEMY OF FINANCE

2005 - 2006

YEAR OF PLANNING



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Bulldog Demographics

- School Enrollment – 1309
- 9th – 387
- 10th – 346
- 11th – 302
- 12th – 274
- Males – 634
- Females - 675



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Ethnic Breakdown

- American Indian – 0.31%
- Multi-Racial – 1.30%
- Asian – 3.82%
- Hispanic – 7.79%
- Black – 28.722%
- White – 58.06%



Males – 48.43%

Females – 51.57%

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- Academically gifted – 23.41%
- Exceptional Children – 7.46%
- Limited English Proficient – 56
- Students with free/reduced lunch – 21.5%



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What is an Academy of Finance?

- Small Learning Community (School Within a School)
- Designed to educate students in the areas of finance, insurance, and general business practices
- Partnered with the National Academy Foundation
- Students will take college courses while enrolled in high school



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What is NAF?

National Academy Foundation



- Founded in 1982
- Brings together the worlds of business and public education
- Academies of Finance, Technology, and Hospitality & Tourism
- Provides curriculum, training, and support
- Partnered with Bank of America and CitiGroup
- Academies in the US & UK

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College Preparatory Curriculum with a Career Theme

- Career academies focus on providing students with the skills and experience necessary to attain entry-level jobs in selected career fields, as well as the academic preparation for post-secondary education.
- Students in a career academy take a mixture of career and academic classes, typically in an industry theme. These courses are linked to academic and industry standards and encourage high achievement.

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- Career and academic courses meet many entrance requirements for four year colleges and universities, and through national and local articulation agreements, graduates are often able to earn advanced standing for their academy course work.
- Students have more exposure to college, career counseling, forming a post-graduate plan which may include college, or work and college, or full time work.

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Coursework

9th grade year

Introduction to Financial Services/Strategies
for Leadership

10th grade year

Computer Applications/Strategies for Success

Foreign Language



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11th grade year

Advanced Accounting I

World of Finance/Banking and Credit

Second Language

12th grade year

Financial Planning/International Finance

College Finance course

Introduction to the Internet

Electives: Microeconomics

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Opportunities

- During the summer between junior and senior years, Academy students complete a 200 hour on-the-job internship in the financial services industry.
- Enrichment activities: Resume/Portfolio Preparation & Interview Skills; College tours; Federal Reserve Bank site visit

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Certification

- Students who complete all program requirements will receive a Certificate of Financial Services in addition to their high school diploma

