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Pathways Academy of Technology & Design: Industry Advisory Board (IAB)



Advisory Board Members

The Advisory Board members serve as advisors to Pathways Academy of Technology and Design. The Board includes business partner co-chairs, along with a NAF affiliate, and higher education partners, with backgrounds in curriculum development, teaching, and fiscal expertise.

The primary role of the Board is to provide industry-based guidance in the accomplishment of Pathways' vision: To empower its diverse community of students to become fully active participants in our global, technology-driven society. Through Project-Based Learning, students acquire technological and critical thinking skills and develop a sense of personal and social responsibility that enables them to successfully compete in the growing, fast-paced, and rapidly changing world economy. A Work-Based curriculum accompanies class offerings and further develops professional skills.

Business Partners Represented on the Advisory Board:

- ADPI, LLC
- Aetna
- American Eagle Federal Credit Union
- Capital Workforce Partners
- Cigna
- Cognizant
- Esteem Manufacturing
- Goodwin College
- Microsoft
- Open Solutions, Inc.
- Pratt & Whitney
- Slalom Consulting
- Tata Consulting
- TEK Systems
- The Hartford Insurance Company
- Travelers Insurance Company
- United Way of Connecticut
- Veritas

Financial Commitments from Advisory Board Member Companies: Donations help grow and support the NAF vision. As an Academy of Information Technology (AOIT), we rely on donations to support and expand our programs. All donations are tax deductible contributions.

Areas of Advisory Board Involvement:

- Develop relationships with more organizations to create more than 100 internships each year
- Enhance curriculum delivery through classroom presentations to augment lessons
- Provide industry perspective to review and revise curriculum related to technical skills and business skills
- Present at career events to support developing resumes, practicing interview skills and developing professionalism
- Fund annual scholarship for graduating Pathways seniors
- Participate in school Open House events to assist in recruiting prospective students
- Share perspectives on career paths and options through presentations and lunch 'n learns
- Mentor and engage students to help develop college and career ready young people

Get involved today!

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