NFTE (Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship) activates the entrepreneurial mindset and builds start-up skills in youth from under-resourced communities to ensure their success and to create a more vibrant society.

To achieve student success and prepare youth for the future workforce, NFTE works with districts, schools and community-based organizations across the US that serve under-resourced communities; globally, NFTE partners with leading organizations across the globe to activate the entrepreneur mindset.

Focus organizations

EY works closely with four focus organizations: NFTE, Boys & Girls Clubs of America (BGCA), Junior Achievement (JA) and the United Way. We focus on these nonprofits because their missions align closely with our Americas Corporate Responsibility strategy of supporting education, entrepreneurs and equity in the workforce (our “3E’s”).

Collaboration with focus organizations helps EY maximize the impact of volunteer time and charitable giving to our communities. Having EY leaders on local NFTE boards helps maximize our relationship by driving market connectivity. Encouraging our people to volunteer with NFTE not only increases their level of engagement, but also allows them to develop leadership skills while creating value in the community.

EY is making a difference!

“Imagine if we could activate the entrepreneurial mindset of an entire generation. This is NFTE’s mission, and with our continued focus on engaging in the classroom, we’ll help them do exactly that. Our shared investment of talent and treasure is invaluable, and together we’re helping build a better working world, one youth at a time!”

- Mike Kacsmar
Partner, Ernst & Young LLP
NFTE National board member and EY-NFTE relationship partner
EY supports NFTE in three key ways:

**Connectivity, engagement and investment**

**Connectivity**
Twelve Ernst & Young LLP professionals serve on 10 of NFTE’s 11 regional boards, and an Ernst & Young LLP partner serves on NFTE’s national board.

**Engagement**
With the support of committed EY volunteers, NFTE is able to help young people connect their classroom learning to real-world experiences. EY volunteers have a direct and lasting influence on the next generation by mentoring students and teaching the NFTE curriculum through NFTE programs such as:

- BizCamp
- Coaching and judging Regional business plan competitions
- Entrepreneurship 1 and 2
- Exploring Careers
- Global Showcase
- National Youth Entrepreneurship Challenge
- Start Up Summer
- World Series of Innovation

EY is also working with NFTE on its Entrepreneurial Mindset Index which measures students non-cognitive skills like creativity, problem-solving, initiative and opportunity recognition which have been shown to support short- and long-term academic and career success.

**EY Community Impact program**
NFTE will have the opportunity to partake in the EY Community Impact program, an immersive volunteer experience where an EY professional will work full-time with NFTE on a strategic project for one to three months.

**EY Connect Day**
EY Connect Day is our organization’s annual day of service. On average annually, over 20 projects are completed with NFTE focusing on the global “World Series of Innovation” challenge.

**Investment**
Every year since 2010, EY has delivered the EY Youth Scholarship, awarding a scholarship to youth entrepreneurs at each of the Entrepreneur Of The Year (EOY) Regional galas taking place across the United States.

In addition, Ernst & Young LLP has donated over $1.1m in the past five years to NFTE programs and initiatives across the US. EY people also have the opportunity to donate directly through an annual giving campaign.

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