

# Is AVID For You?



## What is AVID?

AVID stands for *Advancement Via Individual Determination* and is a regularly scheduled *elective* class that prepares students in the middle, with academic potential, for success in advanced high school classes and in college.

## AVID Student Profile:

- GPA Ranging 2.0-3.5
- Student's desire to attend a Four year college/ university and motivation to do the rigorous work necessary in advanced classes.
- Possibly the first person in the family to attend a 4-year college.
- Possibly economically disadvantaged.
- Excellent citizenship
- May have special circumstances in educational advancement( i.e. single parent family, many siblings, non-native English speaker, recent death, illness or divorce in family, shyness, ect.)

## What are AVID student expectations?

- Maintain *at least* a "C" average
- Show great citizenship & attendance
- Maintain an organized binder
- Take Cornell notes every day, in every class, every year in high school
- Participate in weekly tutorials
- Write, Question, Collaborate, Read
- Take Honors and AP classes
- Take PSAT, SAT, ACT tests
- Remain in program 4 years
- Be a well-rounded student
- Apply to several four-year colleges

## What are AVID parent expectations?

AVID parents are expected to encourage their students to achieve academically, to maintain regular contact with the site AVID coordinator and to become involved in the activities of the AVID program.

## What happens in the AVID program?

The AVID Four-Year Elective program is three-pronged:

- 1) Students receive academic instruction in writing, note-taking, studying, test-taking, and Organization.
- 2) Students receive academic support from tutors through collaborative tutorial groups and peer counseling
- 3) Students are motivated to pursue academic excellence through goal setting, rigorous classes, cultural and college field trips, classroom guest speakers, and AVID team building.

## How do you recognize an AVID student?

The AVID student carries a notebook, takes notes in all classes, is prepared for class, is a positive role model for others, and is "on track" for college.

## What are AVID results?

Over 95% of students who have graduated from AVID programs have enrolled in four-year colleges and universities. Two years later, 89% are still enrolled.