

What is AVID?

AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) is an internationally recognized program designed to prepare students for success in colleges and universities. AVID students enroll in college preparatory classes and in an AVID elective class.

The AVID curriculum focuses on developing the study skills and academic skills necessary for success in high school and beyond. The AVID program offers college preparatory activities, skill development, career building, personal mentoring, and group tutoring.

Who Can Be In AVID?

Students in AVID are most often historically underrepresented students in four-year colleges (ethnic minority and/or low income and/or first generation college and/or special circumstances) who:

- want to be in the program
- have the potential and the desire to go to college
- are serious about succeeding in school
- possess individual determination and a sense of responsibility
- have a 2.0-3.5 GPA
- have good attendance
- have a good behavior record
- have average to high standardized test scores

How Do I Enroll in AVID?

1. Attend an AVID Information session.
2. Fill out the AVID application.
3. Ask your teacher to fill out a recommendation form.
4. Return forms on time.

What Will I Do in an AVID Class?

Skill Development: You will practice skills such as note taking, organization, time management, and test-taking. You will also improve academic skills in the following areas: reading, writing, public speaking, and critical thinking.

College Preparatory Activities: You will learn about a variety of colleges and universities through guest speakers, field trips, and research. You will also learn about the requirements for getting into specific colleges and universities.

Personal Mentoring: Your AVID teacher will monitor your progress and help you set future goals at individual conferences. Your AVID teacher will also communicate with your other teachers and act as an advocate on your behalf.

Tutoring: Twice weekly, you will work in tutorial groups with a college or student-trained tutor to go over difficult material and study for tests.

Career Building: You will explore career options through research to determine what education level is required for specific careers. Regular guest speakers will share their professional experiences and careers with the class.

Classroom Community: You will participate in many community building activities with you classmates, where hopefully, you will build strong relationships and learn to trust each other. You will have the opportunity to improve your interpersonal, communication and leadership skills.

Why Should I Be in AVID?

AVID students have a very high success rate. Overall, they perform better in school and are accepted to more colleges and universities. Just look at the data below.

AVID by the Numbers

700,000+	Students impacted
25,000+	Educators trained annually
4,900+	AVID schools
45	States
32	Years
28	Institutions of Higher Education
17	Countries/territories

AVID Seniors

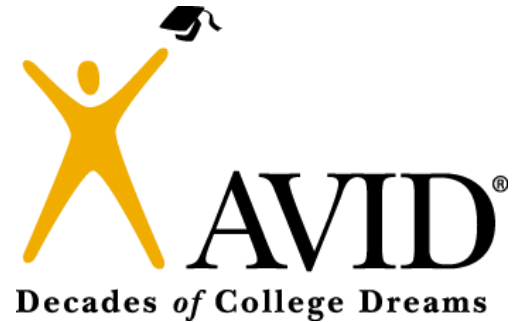
89.9%	Planning to attend college
90.8%	Completed college entrance requirements
70.1%	Economically disadvantaged

AVID Senior Data Collection report for 2011-2012

Decades of College Dreams

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Advancement Via Individual Determination

Pleasantville High School

AVID's mission is to close the achievement gap by preparing all students for college readiness and success in a global society.

91% of the 2011 AVID graduates in the United States completed the four-year college entrance requirements; 76% were accepted to four-year colleges or universities.
