Advancement Via Individual Determination







AVID's mission

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



What is AVID?





AVID is a program for "middle to upper middle" academic students. These students have potential for honors and AP work in high school but need academic and emotional support paired with the rigor. Students have an AP/Honors class and AVID course to support.



AVID combines rigor with support that includes the student's own individual determination and the support of teachers, other AVID students and their families, the AVID teacher, and university tutors.



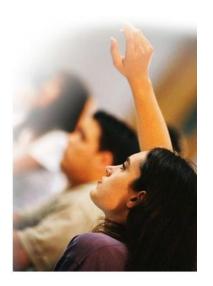
Students must maintain 2.0 or higher GPA throughout the school year



The AVID Elective student profile

Has academic potential

- Average to high test scores
- B's and C's
- College potential with support
- Desire and determination

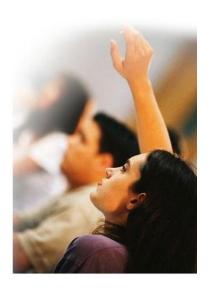




The AVID Elective student is not...

A student with...

- *poor attendance
- *poor homework completion
- *lack of motivation





The AVID Elective student profile

Meets one or more of the following criteria:

- First to attend college
- Historically underserved in four-year colleges
- Low income
- Special circumstances





Sample AVID Events

College Visits

AVID Tutorial Class





What is Academic Rigor?



Rigor is the goal of helping students develop the capacity to understand content that is complex, ambiguous, provocative, and personally or emotionally challenging.

Taking rigorous courses opens doors!

Source: Teaching What Matters Most; Standards and Strategies for Raising Student Achievement by Strong, Silver and Perini, ASCD, 2001.

Why Rigor?

Rigorous curriculum is a greater factor in determining college graduation rates than class standing, standardized test scores, or grade point average.

From: Answers in the Tool Box: Academic Intensity, Attendance Patterns, and Bachelor's Degree Attainment (1999) by Clifford Adelman, Senior Research Analyst, U.S. Dept. of Ed.



Meeting the challenge

- Develop as readers and writers
- Develop deep content knowledge
- Know content specific strategies for reading, writing, thinking, and talking
- Develop habits, skills, and behaviors to use knowledge and skills



A Sample Week in the AVID Elective

Daily Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
AVID Curriculum	Tutorials	AVID Curriculum	Tutorials	Binder Evaluation Field Trips Media Center Speakers Motivational Activities

AVID Curriculum Includes:

- Writing Curriculum
- College and Careers
- Strategies for Success
- Critical Reading
- Organization

AVID Tutorials Include:

- Collaborative Study Groups
- Writing Groups
- Socratic Seminars



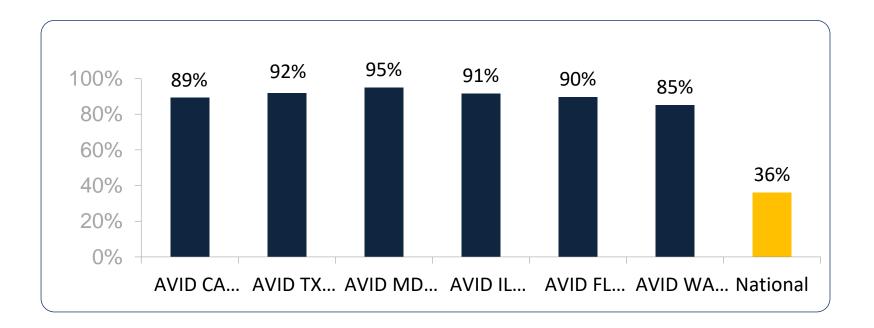
AVID Graduates

- 91.3 percent plan to enroll in a college or university
 - 58.3 percent plan to enroll in a four-year university
 - 33.0 percent to enroll in a two-year college



Completing college-entrance requirements

AVID students complete four-year college entrance requirements at a rate at least *two times higher* than the national rate.





AVID Senior Data Collection 2010-2011, AVID CA n = 15522; AVID TX n = 3923; AVID NC n = 709; AVID IL n = 1307; AVID FL n = 1117 COMPARATOR: U.S. Overall: The Manhattan Institute for Policy Research, Center for Civic Innovation, Education Working Paper No. 8 February 2005, Jay P. Greene and Marcus A. Winters

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Application Process

Applying for AVID:

- 1. Application
- 2. Transcript
- 3. Teacher Recommendations
- 4. Interview



Additional Information

- Attend UCS Pathways on December 17th to speak with staff/students regarding AVID
- Speak with Junior High Counselor
- Additional information during scheduling for 2023-24
- Email: Dr. Heather Blum, Director of Student Services and AVID District Coordinator: heather.blum@uticak12.org

