

The AVID Mission

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

- To succeed in rigorous curriculum
- To complete a rigorous college preparatory path
- To enter mainstream activities of the school
- To increase their enrollment in four year colleges
- To become educated and responsible participants and leaders in society

AVID is:

- An acronym that stands for Advancement via Individual Determination [L. avidus]: eager for knowledge
- An in-school academic elective that prepares students for college eligibility and success
- For all students, but it aims to support students in the academic middle
- Implemented schoolwide and districtwide.

AVID is not:

- a remedial program
- study block
- a free ride
- a quick fix

The AVID Elective:

AVID College Readiness System is a regularly scheduled elective class during the school day. The curriculum is based on writing, inquiry, collaborative learning strategies, organization and reading. AVID's systemic approach is designed to support students and educators as they increase schoolwide/districtwide learning and performance.

The three main components of the AVID Elective are:

- Academic instruction
- Tutorial support
- College Readiness

The AVID is an elective offered in all VBCPS secondary schools



Who is an AVID student?

AVID students are in the academic middle and capable of completing a college preparatory path with support. These students often are not realizing their full potential academically. In the application process a number of criteria are considered, including:

- Desire and Determination
- Citizenship
- Attendance
- Grades
- Assessment Scores

- First in Family to Attend College
- Historically Underrepresented in 4-year Colleges
- Economically Disadvantaged
- Other Special Circumstances

While all of the criteria are considered for acceptance into AVID, no single criteria will necessarily eliminate a student from consideration. The AVID College Readiness System should reflect the demographics of the school it is serving.

Once selected for AVID, what are the student requirements?

AVID students must:

- attend an AVID elective class
- enroll in advanced academic classes (Honors, Advanced, International Baccalaureate® (IB)
 Advanced Placement (AP) or Dual Enrollment (DE).
- maintain satisfactory citizenship and attendance in all classes
- maintain the AVID binder with assignment/grade record sheets and daily notes in all classes
- complete all assignments and commit to studying every night

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday (Enrichment)
AVID Curriculum	● Tutorials	AVID Curriculum	• Tutorials	 Binder Evaluations Field Trips Guest Speakers Motivational Activities
AVID Curriculum includes: Writing Curriculum College and Careers Strategies for Success			AVID Tutorials: Collaborative Study Groups Writing Groups Socratic Seminars	