



Advancement Via Individual Determination

*Proven Achievement  
Lifelong Advantage*



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## AVID MISSION STATEMENT

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

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## WHAT IS AVID?

AVID is an academic, regularly scheduled, college prep, A-G approved elective class during the school day, based on writing as a tool of learning, the inquiry method, and collaborative grouping. The four main components of the program are:

- **Academic instruction**
  - **Tutorial support**
  - **Motivational activities**
  - **College and career opportunity knowledge**
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## WHO IS AN AVID STUDENT?

AVID students are students in the middle, capable of completing a college preparatory path with support. These students may often not realize their full potential academically. In the identification process, several criteria are taken into consideration, including but not limited to the following:

- **State test scores**
- **2.0-3.5 GPA**
- **Attendance**
- **Desire and determination**
- **First in the family to attend college**
- **Historically underrepresented in four-year institutions**

## IUSD SECONDARY SCHOOLS WITH AVID:

- **Plaza Vista**
- **Vista Verde**
- **Beacon Park**
- **Jeffrey Trail MS**
- **Rancho SJ MS**
- **South Lake MS**
- **Sierra Vista MS**
- **Solis Park K-8**
- **Venado MS**
- **Lakeside MS**
- **Irvine HS**
- **Woodbridge HS**
- **San Joaquin HS**
- **University HS**
- **Portola HS**

## AVID ACTIVITIES

- Writing, Inquiry, Collaboration, Organization, Reading (WICOR) methodologies are the basis for curriculum instruction
- Students participate in field trips to colleges universities/industries
- AVID tutors act as role models and facilitate academic discussion in regularly scheduled tutorial groups
- Students develop academic and social skills in all subject areas in order to self-advocate for success
- Guest speakers provide motivation and college and professional career information
- AVID students participate in extracurricular events

# AVID FACTS

# AVID OBJECTIVES AT IUSD

# CONTACT INFORMATION

## THE AVID PARENT

AVID parents encourage their students to achieve academically, participate in school functions, if requested, attend site team meetings, and maintain regular contact with the AVID Elective Teacher.

## THE AVID CURRICULUM

The AVID curriculum, developed by middle and high school teachers in collaboration with college professors, is based on rigorous standards. It is driven by the WICOR method, which stands for writing, inquiry, collaboration, organization, and reading. AVID strategies are utilized not only in AVID elective and content-area classes at schools with AVID, but also in schools where the AVID elective is not offered.



## THE AVID TUTOR

Tutors are essential to the success of the elective class, where they facilitate student access to rigorous curriculum. As tutors receive formal training, they also serve as role models. Additionally, AVID students who continue their education in college often return to schools with AVID as tutors.

- **PROVIDE ACADEMIC INSTRUCTION** and other support to students and prepare them for their respective future.
- **IMPROVE ORGANIZATIONAL SKILLS** i.e. thinking, time, materials, etc.
- **IMPROVE CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS**
- **INCREASE STUDENT INVOLVEMENT** in community service.
- **PREPARE AND SUPPORT** students for entry and success in the most rigorous courses.
- **EMPOWER ALL STUDENTS** to achieve academic excellence, and success in a global society.

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