

Advancement Via Individual

Determination

I wanted to change the world. But I have found that the only thing one can be sure of changing is oneself. --Aldous Huxley

What is AVID?

AVID is a four year elective program designed to prepare students for admission to four-year colleges and universities. AVID is the most successful program in the nation for preparing students for college. Last year, all of Santiago High School's AVID seniors were accepted into four year colleges. This course will challenge the student to be responsible, organized, and to

be a self directed learner. For this reason, there are high expectations on each AVID student. In addition, students are taught study skills, test preparation, time management, and the writing process. The emphasis of the program is on "individual determination"; therefore participation must be voluntary both by the student and the parents.



What is required of an AVID student?

- Students must maintain enrollment in rigorous honors and college preparatory courses with a "C" grade or better along with satisfactory attendance and behavior.
- Students keep track of assignment sheets and are required to take DAILY notes in all academic classes. The notebooks are graded by college tutors for content and organization.
- Led by the college tutors, students participate in tutorial groups in the AVID classroom. The tutorial is a significant part of the student grade, and a key strategy for success in other classes, therefore participation is critical.
- Student progress reports are used to monitor performance in other classes. Student must complete and turn in progress reports to remain in program.
- Daily reading and/or writing assignments.
- The student must represent AVID well. Absolutely no behavior problems.