

AVID ENTRANCE PACKET-ELKINS HIGH SCHOOL

What is AVID?

AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) is a nationally recognized program designed to assist students who have college potential with academic support. In the AVID elective class, which is a one credit per year class, there is emphasis on writing, preparation for college entrance and placement exams, college study skills, test taking strategies, note taking, speaking, and career research. During their senior in AVID, students are guided through the entire college application and selection process. Financial aid assistance and college transition are also part of the senior curriculum.

Students receive the support and guidance from a structured curriculum, college tutors, and AVID teacher assistance. AVID students are encouraged and expected to take rigorous and challenging classes and apply the AVID methodologies and use the AVID support to ensure academic success. AVID students also have the opportunity to listen to various occupational guest speakers and take college campus tours.

To be considered for the AVID program, the following is required:

1. Unofficial transcript from counselor
2. 4 teacher recommendation forms (Core subject teachers only)
3. Essay-Typed/1 page/Double-spaced "Why I should be selected for AVID"
4. Phone interview with parent
5. Interview with student

___ My child and I are interested in the AVID program. We understand that there is an interview and selection process and are willing to complete the requirements to be considered for AVID.

Parent(s) _____

Home # _____ Cell # _____

Student _____ Grade _____

AVID Teacher Recommendation

Teacher: _____ **Subject:** _____

_____ is applying to be in the AVID program. Could you please fill out this form and return it to Mrs. Alexopoulos' box at your earliest convenience.

-Check any that apply to this student

___1. Student is a potential college-student.

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___2. Student can succeed in a rigorous (Honors-GT/Pre-AP/AP/College Now) curriculum with proper support (AVID Tutorials/Study Groups/monitored grades).

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___3. Student demonstrates determination/willingness to learn in class.

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___4. Student is respectful towards teacher and peers.

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Parent Information/Questionnaire

Child's name _____

Middle School attended _____

Mother's name _____

Father's name _____

Home number _____

Alternative number _____

Mother's occupation _____

Mother highest level of education _____

Father's occupation _____

Father's highest level of education _____

Names/Relationships of household

members _____

How would you describe your child as a student academically?

Excellent Good Fair Poor

How would you describe your child's potential in high school?

Excellent Good Fair Poor

How would you describe your child's study habits?

Excellent Good Fair Poor

How would you describe your child's organizational skills?

Excellent Good Fair Poor

How would you describe your child's work ethic?

Excellent Good Fair Poor

Is your child capable of success in Pre-AP/AP level classes?

Yes No

List 3 specific things that you want your child to accomplish in high school:

Describe any special circumstances/challenges that could inhibit your child from accomplishing these goals:

My child and I are interested in participating in the AVID program. Yes/No