



**Sacramento City Unified School District  
Sam Brannan Middle School**

***Is AVID (Advancement via Individual Determination) for YOU?***

**What is AVID?**

AVID is a regularly scheduled yearlong elective class that prepares students with academic potential for success in college. It is slightly different than the introduction to AVID class that is only a quarter of the year.

**What are AVID student expectations?**

AVID students are expected to maintain at least a "C" average in scholarship and citizenship, to study a minimum of two hours per night, and to enroll in college preparatory classes. The AVID student's goal is to enroll in a four-year university. A potential AVID student must apply to the program.

**What are AVID parent expectations?**

AVID parents are expected to encourage their students to achieve academically, to maintain regular contact with the site AVID coordinator/teacher and to become involved in the activities of the AVID program.

**What happens in the AVID program?**

The AVID program is three pronged:

1. students receive academic instruction in writing and in the following skills - notetaking, studying, test taking and organization;
2. students receive academic support from college tutors through collaborative groups and peer counseling;
3. students are motivated to pursue academic excellence through cultural and college field trips, classroom guest speakers, and AVID team building.

**How do you recognize an AVID student?**

The AVID student carries a notebook, takes notes in all classes, is prepared for class, is a positive role model for others, and is "on-track" for college.

**What are AVID results?**

92.8% of AVID graduates in California have enrolled in college. After two years, 89% of those who started college are still in college!

If you are interested in the yearlong AVID elective, please contact Mrs. Nelson at [cortnie-nelson@scusd.edu](mailto:cortnie-nelson@scusd.edu)