

Mount Vernon City School District
AVID Student Application 2017-2018 School year

Dear potential AVID student & families:

Advancement Via Individual Determination, AVID, is a 9th to 12th grade program that prepares students in the **academic middle** for admission to a four-year college or university. Students take an AVID elective course throughout high school that provides them with the skills needed to be successful in advancing academically with the ultimate goal of attending college. For more than 35 years AVID has been instrumental in preparing students for success in higher education.

The core component of the AVID Program is the AVID elective, which supports students as they challenge themselves in more rigorous classes. Students are taught study skills, note taking, time management, writing and research skills, while being immersed in a college-going culture. The class also includes tutoring sessions that are led by college students and provide support for success in the academically rigorous curriculum. Additionally, the AVID class provides access to information about colleges and universities through fieldtrips, guest speakers, college tutors, scholarship opportunities and college admission requirement information.

AVID recruits students who are motivated to do well and who are serious about their academic future. Based on grade point average and state test results, we feel that your child is an ideal candidate for the AVID program and has been selected to participate in the recruitment process. Please complete the application, family information, and short answers on the following pages to help us better know your child and family circumstances.

Application process:

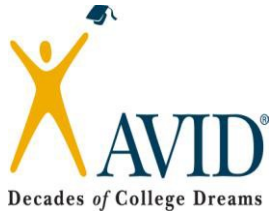
March 24, 2017 - Students turn in completed family information form and short answer form

All information shared on this form will be used for recruitment and selection of AVID students and will be held confidential. If you would prefer to share this information in person or have additional questions prior to completing this form, please contact your child's current guidance counselor. Please remove this page and keep it for your reference and return the application by Friday, March 24, 2017

Sincerely,

Dr. Jeff Gorman

Deputy Superintendents of Schools / AVID District Director



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STUDENT: Please complete the following application to be considered as a member of the AVID elective program. Please return your completed application to the AVID Coordinator at your school. Final acceptance will be determined upon completion of an interview. **[Please Print with Blue or Black Ink]**

Personal Data

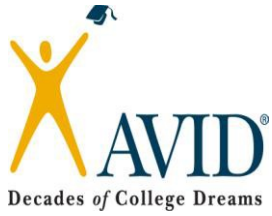
Name: _____ Last

Address: _____ Num

Parent _____ Parent or Guardian's Name: _____

Current Class Schedule: Complete schedule as it appears on transcript/report card or submit a transcript. If the class is an honors class please note.

Period	Class	Teacher	Rm.
0-HS only			
1			
2			
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OPTIONAL:

Attach a

Recent

Photograph

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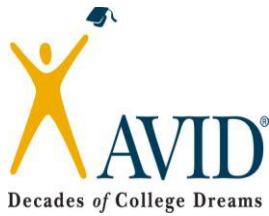
**** Previously Enrolled in AVID**

“yes” no

Circle Grades: 6 7 8 9 10 11

Academic Honors:

Briefly describe any scholastic distinctions or honors you have earned beginning with the sixth grade.



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Extracurricular, Personal, and Volunteer Activities:

(Please list your main extracurricular, community, and family activities and hobbies in the order of their interest to you. Include specific events and/or major accomplishments such as musical instruments played and/or sports team participation, etc.)

Opportunity to Share Attendance & Behavior Challenges:

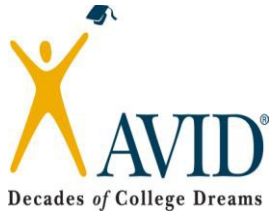
1. How often are you absent from or tardy to class? Explain.

2. Describe a past conflict with another student or staff member. How was it resolved?

To the best of my knowledge, all information provided on this form is correct. I support my child's interest in joining the AVID program in the **Mount Vernon City School District**

Student Signature / Date

Parent/Guardian Signature / Date



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Student Information

This information will assist us in identifying possible candidates who best fit the AVID profile. Please complete the following questionnaire. This information is confidential and will only be used by the AVID site team for placement.

1. Parent/Guardian's Highest Educational Level

- Did not graduate high school
- Graduated high school
- Completed some college
- Graduated college
- Post Graduate Education

3. Ethnic Background (Mark all that apply.)

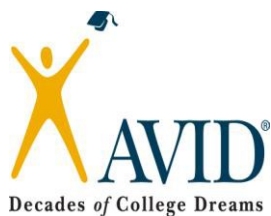
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|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> African American | <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/ Latino |
| <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian/ Alaska Native | <input type="checkbox"/> White/ non-Hispanic |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asian | <input type="checkbox"/> Multi-racial |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pacific Islander | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Filipino | |

3. Student gender Female Male

4. Supplemental Criteria: What other languages do you speak at home?

5. Supplemental Criteria: Please record any challenges or circumstances you have faced (optional).

**Students who wish to be considered for the AVID program must return this form to
THE COUNSELING OFFICE BY MARCH 24, 2017 AT 3 P.M.**



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Student Name: _____

Student I.D.#: _____

Student Short Answer Questions

1. What do you like the most about school? What do you like least about school? Explain.

2. What about the AVID program appeals to you? If you have previously participated in the AVID program, what did you gain from the experience and why do you want to continue? What makes you a strong candidate for the AVID program?

3. What is the biggest obstacle you have ever had to overcome and how did you do it?

4. What are your academic goals for the future?

5. Why do you believe college to be important? Will you be the first member of your family to go to college? If so, how does that make you feel?

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3 P.M.**