



**Saint Paul Public Schools
AVID Information
2023-2024**



Dear Families,

Students can learn valuable skills that help them prepare for high school and beyond with a class called Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID). AVID is an elective class that meets every day of the school year in grades 7-12. Students focus on writing, inquiry, collaboration, organization and reading (WICOR).

AVID is a program for students who have:

- Average to high grades
- A strong desire to do the work necessary to go to a post-secondary institution

AVID students visit college campuses, participate in community service, and are involved in school-wide activities. Students also develop positive peer relationships, learn to advocate for themselves, and improve self-awareness.

Students are given support to be successful in rigorous courses. Tutors are in the AVID class twice per week to facilitate collaborative learning groups that help students better understand coursework and develop higher-level thinking skills.

In AVID, students are expected to:

- Use an agenda or planner
- Keep their school materials organized
- Take notes in all classes
- Maintain a “C” average or better in all classes

Thank you for your interest in AVID!



AVID Application 2023-2024



Please return this form to your school's AVID Coordinator or a Counselor.

Student's full, legal name _____ Student ID/CIF # _____

Student address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Date of birth _____

Current School _____ School student applied to for 2021-2022 _____

Parent/guardian information	Parent/Guardian 1	Parent/Guardian 2	Other
Name			
Home Address			
Home Phone / Cell Phone	()	()	()
Work Phone	()	()	()

Please answer the following questions in the space provided. Answers must be handwritten by the student.

Name of school staff member recommending you to the AVID program _____

Are you currently an AVID Elective student? (Please check one) ___Yes ___No

What about the AVID program sounds good to you? Why do you want to be in the AVID Elective?

What are your hopes and dreams for the future? What do you want to do after high school graduation?

Do you think college/post secondary education is important? Why or why not?

Please list academic honors, extra-curricular activities, volunteer activities and awards you have received (beginning with the sixth grade)?

Optional: Opportunity to Share Attendance and Behavior Challenges

1. How often are you absent or tardy to class? Please 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 AVID in the Saint Paul Public Schools.

Student Signature _____ Parent/Guardian Signature _____



**Saint Paul Public Schools
AVID Staff Member
Recommendation Form 2023-2024**



AVID is an elective class for students in 7th - 12th grade. Students focus on writing, inquiry, collaboration, organization and reading. AVID is for students who are in the academic middle and have a strong desire to do the work necessary to continue their education after high school. Students are given support to be successful in rigorous courses. Tutors are in the AVID class twice per week to help students better understand coursework and develop higher-level thinking skills.

STUDENT: Give this form to a school staff member whom you are asking to recommend you for AVID.

Student Name: _____ Student ID: _____

Staff Name: _____ School and Position or Subject Area: _____

Staff phone #: _____ Email: _____

How long have you known this student, and in what capacities?

**Staff: Do NOT return to student or family.
Please return to your school's AVID Coordinator, Teacher, or a Counselor.**

We rely on your experiences with this applicant.

I. According to what you have seen demonstrated in class/school, please select the appropriate answer for each box. Students should be scored as follows:

N/A- Not part of student's curriculum / 1- Developing Skills / 2- Satisfactory Skills / 3- Advanced Skills

Recommended Advanced Course	Can participate in advanced courses with support	Organizes school materials	Completes and turns in assignments punctually	Completes notes classes	Shows motivation and effort	Works well with others	Uses critical thinking skills
Please circle: Math							
Science							
Social Studies							
English							

II. Please be candid and share insights about this student's ability to do well in a rigorous academic program. Do you have any other comments in regard to evaluating this student's desire and determination to prepare for a post secondary education?

Staff signature: _____ Date: _____

