

Tamalpais High School AVID Elective

Advancement Via Individual Determination



Hello Tam Community!

The Tamalpais High School AVID Site Team is currently recruiting new students to join our 2023-2024 AVID cohorts. **We are recruiting for all grade levels.**

AVID is a program dedicated to preparing all students for college and other postsecondary opportunities. In AVID, we hold students accountable to the highest standards, provide academic and social support, and in turn, students rise to the challenge.

What is AVID?

What AVID Is...

- An elective course with its own curriculum
- A place to learn WICOR strategies (writing, inquiry, collaboration, organizational, and reading skills) that are transferable to all subject areas
- A place to create a four-year plan with your AVID counselor to ensure you meet high school graduation and college entrance requirements
- A place for students who want to challenge themselves with honors/AP work and would like some support
- A place to develop strong relationships with one teacher and a core group of classmates for four years
- An opportunity for peer and adult tutoring
- A place where students can get support with the college application and financial aid processes
- A place for the AVID teacher, counselor, students, families, and tutors to work as a team to support each AVID student
- An opportunity for enrichment activities like college visits, team building field trips, and motivational speakers

What AVID is not...

- An Academic Workshop or study hall class
- Students are expected to have "individual determination" and be willing to complete challenging work
- AVID is a support, not an intervention. AVID teachers are not trained to provide special education services

What does a Tamalpais High School AVID student look like?

A Tam AVID student typically...

- Demonstrates motivation in academics and personal growth
- Is willing to seek out and accept help
- Exhibits a positive attitude and practices good citizenship
- Actively participates in class and enjoys working with others
- Is able to complete four-year university entrance requirements prior to graduation
- Has a GPA of 2.0 to 3.5
- Preference is given to students who are underrepresented racially, culturally, or economically in colleges and universities
- Has potential and motivation, but may need support to overcome obstacles to achievement

How can you apply to the AVID program?

Go to this tiny URL and fill out an online application:

<https://forms.gle/181D4m38CQdYMffx8>

For questions about the program please contact Suzanne Garcia at sgarcia@tamdistrict.org