

Young Women's Leadership Academy

***AVID College Readiness System
2019 - 2020***



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***Schoolwide AVID
A Year in Review
2019 - 2020***

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Domain I
AVID Schoolwide
Instruction

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AVID Schoolwide Instruction: WICOR

- **93.4%** of students surveyed reported they use Focused Notes, Cornell Notes, or a different format of note-taking in their classes
- **100%** of teachers surveyed reported they use strategies that help students become independent thinkers and learners

Domain I

AVID Schoolwide Instruction

- **53%** of students surveyed reported they use organizational tools (binders, planners, etc.) in their classes.
- **87.5%** of teachers surveyed reported they use organization strategies to structure student assignments and support schoolwide personal organization methods.



Earn your
WICOR Master
Card!!

Starts 1/21/20

Students!

Would you like to reward your teachers?

HERE'S WHAT YOU NEED TO DO:

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for uses of WICOR (see examples below) in class.



Scan the QR code below.



Fill out the form to help your teacher win
PRIZES!

SOME EXAMPLES OF WICOR:

Quick writes
Socratic Seminar
Binders
Summarizing
Notetaking
Philosophical Chairs
Journals
Writing

Cornell notes
Lab work
Planners
LÔÔK
Exit cards
Group projects
Graphic organizers
Collaboration

Marking the text
Pair share
Reading strategies
Organization
Q&A Cards
Hand up- Pair up
Reflecting
Reading



Front of card

Back of card



WICOR Master Card

- **168** WICOR Master Card entries from 1/21/20 - 3/5/20
- Students used iPads to scan the WICOR Master Card QR code
- Students made observations of WICOR while in class
- Teachers hung WICOR cut-out letters outside of their doors for others to see their WICOR progress
- Students and teachers won prizes
- Teachers were very competitive
- QR code flyers were posted in teachers' classrooms and around the building
- Students and teachers were acknowledged during morning announcements and staff meetings

Quotes from WICOR Master Card Entries

- “Ms. Tate makes us write annotations as we read through passages.”
- “Mrs. Fischer makes us take Cornell notes which helps us a lot.”
- “In world history, we use Venn diagrams to separate the differences and similarities for the French and American Revolutions.”
- “Every Tuesday/Thursday we read for 10 - 20 minutes.”
- “Throughout the lesson there are sections where she gives us about 5 minutes to turn and talk.”
- In AVID, we use “I” by using metacognition to help the student find the answer to her problem.”
- “We got into groups and answered a few questions about college...then we switched topics...we all came together and talked about the responses.” (Brainstorm Carousel)

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Domain II
AVID Schoolwide
Systems

Management of the AVID Elective

- Signed contracts by all AVID students
- AVID Elective student recruitment and selection plan prior to recruitment
- AVID Site Team members voluntarily participate
- Site team uses Site Plan as “a living document”
- Site Team meets monthly
- Site Team provides proactive support in the implementation and operation of AVID
- Tutors receive ongoing coaching and support
- Student-Tutor ratio is no higher than 7:1 and ALL tutors are current college students

Access to Rigor and Student Support

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Assessment to Rigor and Student Support

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- Alignment of AVID and school's mission and vision
 - Grade-level vertical and horizontal articulation
 - Rigorous instructional practices (all high school core classes are Pre-AP or AP, Dual Credit and Dual Enrollment)
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Assessment of Student Progress & Professional Learning

- **100%** of AVID Elective students are enrolled in rigorous courses
- **100%** of all seniors applied to one or more colleges/universities
- **100%** of all seniors have been accepted to a 2 or 4 year college/university
- AVID Center data are submitted and analyzed to sustain AVID Schoolwide for students throughout the school
- Site Team is AVID-trained in WICOR
- Site Team collaborates to increase awareness about AVID to other faculty and staff
- AVID strategies are presented during PLC's and staff meetings

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Domain III
AVID Schoolwide
Leadership

College Readiness Mission and Vision, Representative Governance & Strategic College Readiness Planning

- **Mission:** Young Women's Leadership Academy offers a dynamic learning experience devoted to leadership topics, leadership opportunities, and advanced academics. 100% of our students participate in AP classes and work-based learning opportunities. Each learning experience encourages critical thinking, inspires confidence, and nurtures the intellectual and social development necessary for success in college, career, and life.
- **Vision:** The Young Women's Leadership Academy will offer 6th-12th grade girls a dynamic learning experience that encourages critical thinking, inspires confidence and nurtures the intellectual and social development necessary for success in college, career, and life.
- AVID Coordinator is a member of the Department Leaders team
- Principal, Deans, and Counselors are active members of the Site Team
- Funding for the AVID Elective is included in school and district budgets

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Domain IV
AVID Schoolwide Culture

Rigor

- **WICOR Master Card Competition**
- AVID Site Team and teachers collaborate through PLCs.
- Teachers use research-based best practice strategies in lesson plans

Programs of Study:

- STEM: Engineering
- STEM: Biotechnology
- Business, Marketing & Finance
- Education and Leadership Preparatory Academy
- Aerospace

Community Activities and College Awareness

- Senior year for every YWLA student includes work-based learning through internships aligned to their program of study.
- Seniors attended virtual “College Chat during COVID-19” on Zoom 3/19/20
- SAT Practice Test Day 2/26/20
- Juniors took practice ACT 1/30/20 & 12/20/19
- PSAT & SAT School Day 10/16/20
- Juniors attend multi-week SAT/ACT Test prep

College visits to the following colleges and universities:

- Texas Woman’s University
- Southwestern University
- St. Edward’s University
- Texas State University
- University of Texas @ San Antonio
- Baylor University
- University of Texas @ Dallas

College-Going Environment

- **95%** of teachers surveyed share their college experiences with their students
- **100%** of teachers surveyed stress the importance of post-secondary options in their classrooms
- **91%** of teachers surveyed expect their students to attend college
- **86%** of teachers surveyed expect all YWLA students to attend college
- **82%** of teachers surveyed display college banners/pennants in their classrooms to help promote a college and career atmosphere
- **73%** of students surveyed believe their teachers expect them to go to college after high school
- **100%** FAFSA/TAFSA completion
- GenTX Week 11/4 - 11/8/19
- Financial Aid Night/FAFSA Parent Night @ GPISD Education Center 1/9/20



Senior College/University Attendance – Fall 2020

Betzaida - University of North Texas
Litzzy - University of North Texas
Amy - Brookhaven College
Yaszi - Dillard University
Yasmin - Fashion Institute of Technology @ New York
McKenna - Hardin-Simmons University
Serena- Midwestern State University
Kaiya - Prairie View A & M University
Kiersten - Sam Houston University
Jadyn - Southwestern University
Harleen - Tarrant County College
Delaney - Texas A & M Honor's College
Madison - Texas State University
Elly - Texas Woman's University
Destiny - Texas Woman's University

Ila - Texas Woman's University
Brianna - Texas Woman's University
Krishna - Texas Woman's University
Jazmin - Texas Woman's University
Paulina - Texas Woman's University
Dulce - Texas Woman's University Honor's College
Angelica - Texas Woman's University Honor's College
Kayla - University of Texas @ Arlington
Lupita - University of Texas @ Arlington
Jasmine - University of Texas @ Arlington
Virginia - University of Texas @ Arlington
Elizabeth - University of North Texas @ Dallas
Taylor - University of North Texas @ Dallas
Emelyn - University of North Texas @ Dallas

100% College Acceptance!!!



\$7.4 million!!

Senior Scholarships

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Overall Certification:

AVTD Emerging Schoolwide Site

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