

AVID at a Glance

For Parents and Families



What AVID Elective is...

Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) is a nationally-recognized college and career preparatory program that helps schools and teachers make learning more meaningful and engaging. When motivated, high-potential students actively connect with their learning, their peers, and their teachers through AVID's research-based curriculum, a world of possibility opens--both now and in the future!

What AVID Elective isn't...

AVID is not a remedial program; It is designed to challenge students and prepare them for success in rigorous coursework. It is not a study hall, but an intentional sequence of learning that incorporates critical thinking, organization, and collaboration into the classroom. AVID is also not individual tutoring; Instead, it focuses on equipping students with the inquiry-based tools and strategies they need to identify and work through challenges they encounter in their core classes, both independently and with their peers.

AVID for Middle School

Putting future leaders on an early path to success in school

Enrollment in AVID 7 and AVID 8 Elective courses at SGMS is application/interview-based. **One year commitment is required; Two year commitment is highly recommended.** Teachers use AVID strategies to help students build confidence and growing independence in:

- Proven ways to succeed in school
- **W**riting, **I**nquiry, **C**ollaboration, **O**rganization, and **R**eadng (WICOR®)
- Note-taking and time-management skills
- Exploring high school, college, and career opportunities for the future

98%

Graduate from
High School

94%

Complete four-year
college entrance
requirements

90%

who apply are
accepted into four-
year colleges

84%

who enroll **persist** into
their second year of
college

**AVID.org national
success metrics!**



AVID for High School

Moving future leaders toward college success and beyond

Students are encouraged to continue their AVID journey throughout high school! DCSD currently offers 9-12 AVID at both Ponderosa and Legend HS. AVID Elective students at the high school level:

- Receive support to enroll and succeed in advanced courses (Honors, AP®)
- Receive academic instruction and tutorial support
- Strengthen their WICOR® skills
- Improve study skills
- Gain crucial college, career, and "life" knowledge
- Visit colleges & apply for scholarships!

For more information visit SGMS's website or contact Mrs. Ranford at jsranford@dcsdk12.org

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