Why Join AVID in SMMUSD?
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- Prepare for College
- Study Groups & Tutors
- College Knowledge & Higher Level Thinking Skills
- Field Trips
- Community Engagements
- Supportive Teachers
- The AVID Family Experience
Why Join AVID?
A Community of Learners

The AVID community provides encouragement and accountability to help students achieve their academic goals.
Why Join AVID?
88% of students in the AVID program get accepted to college

Academic Support That Leads to College
Samalah Seldon
Goucher College

Being a part of AVID has helped me to be more organized and held me accountable for completing my work. I have made friends and developed strong relationships with my teachers as a result.
Alannah Ross
Spelman College

AVID was the backbone to helping me on my journey to college. Being first generation, AVID gave me information that my family was unable to provide for me, and for that I am forever grateful.
Alexander Jimenez
CSU Northridge

Being brutally honest I don't think I would have been able to go through the college app process without AVID. I was allowed to ask questions without feeling like "oh I should know this, why am I asking". Instead, teachers responded with open arms and guided me, and never left until my questions were resolved.
Michelle Garcia
Cal Poly SLO

AVID helped pave the way to a four-year university. Having familiar faces around each year helped to strengthen friendships and having a solid support system of teachers and advisors helped ease the application process.
Paola Diaz  
Sacramento State

AVID challenged me to become a stronger person. In the last 5 years I was able to grow and mature. I created bonds with my AVID teachers who supported me. They helped make us more committed and dedicated to our education in a way that made you love it and look forward to your future. I will be forever grateful for the confidence, strength, determination, and passion AVID provided me.
Eden Ellerton
CSU Northridge

AVID has helped me in so many ways. From the day I joined AVID all the way to now, the teachers always believed in me even when I had no faith in myself. They pushed me to do my best and helped me succeed and ultimately helped me get into college. I do not think I would have made it into college without help from AVID.
Without AVID, I wouldn’t be in the position that I am today. AVID showed me that college was a very possible future for me and the teachers and program helped me achieve that dream.
Samaiya Kirby
Cal Poly Pomona

I am so grateful to have been a part of AVID. I don’t see how I would be going to college without the preparation and skills I’ve obtained through the program. The hands-on assistance and the love I’ve received in the program is absolutely impeccable. I am forever grateful for the people I’ve met and the skills I picked up along the way.
Donovan Parks
Alabama A&M

I will be attending Alabama A&M and AVID has helped me by giving me the time I needed to be able to prepare for college. Being in multiple sports is very time consuming, and AVID has really helped me set aside time to make college a priority.
Zeini Ruiz
UC Merced

Being in AVID has really helped me, not only with my academic life but also with my personal life. My AVID teachers made sure that I was well after all the challenges I have faced and that I was on the right track to get into a good college.
Christina Zoldi
CSU Los Angeles

Without AVID I would have never known about FAFSA and the admission process for college since my family and I immigrated to the U.S. and were not familiar with the American school system. For this reason, I am very thankful that I have been a part of AVID for the past six years.
Monica Salazar Jimenez
Biola University

AVID has been part of my family since 2015 and has taught me to have self-confidence, to persevere, network, and given me the motivation and support to start my college journey.
Why Join AVID? Rigor

- 100% of AVID students are taking a college preparatory course of study
- 67% of juniors took at least one AP class
- 71% of seniors took at least one AP class
- 15% of AVID students took a dual-enrollment college course
- 20% of AVID seniors were accepted to UCs.
- 78% of AVID seniors were accepted to CSUs.
Why Join AVID?
Support for rigorous course of study AP accelerated

AVID students have access to academic tutors and participate in weekly Tutorials to help each other problem solve and complete assignments.
Why Join AVID? A Supportive Team of Teachers
Why Join AVID?
Dedicated and Specially Trained College Tutors

“One thing that has helped me are the tutors because they help me understand what I’m doing wrong and what I need to do to keep on going to solve a problem. They also help because they will do a one-on-one with you on subject you need extra help with. And last but not least, they are just really nice they will help you in any subject, no matter what.”

Alberto Villaseñor
JAMS 8th Grader
Why Join AVID? Unique Academic Enrichment

AVID students have opportunities for field trips, as well as special guest speakers, that help students see the real-world relevance to what they are learning and help spark a deeper passion for what they are learning.
Let us help you chart your course to academic success
Contact SMMUSD AVID Director Dr. Satinder Hawkins for more information.

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