



**The Mission of AVID**  
 ...to close the opportunity gap  
 by preparing **all** students for  
**college and career** readiness  
 and success in a global society.

AVID, Advancement Via Individual Determination, is a national program that was established in 1980. All middle schools and high schools in Anne Arundel County have the AVID program.

AVID is a program that helps students, especially students in the academic middle, succeed in rigorous courses in preparation for four year college. AVID students will be encouraged to take advanced level classes and will be provided support so that they can be successful.

- Benefits of AVID for the Student:**
1. Students receive extra support in their core classes through weekly tutorials.
  2. Success skills such as organization, time management, note taking, test taking, and study skills
  3. Research careers and colleges and attend field trips to college campuses
  4. High School AVID students will receive support with the college application process.
  5. AVID teacher serves as advocate and liaison between home and school
  6. High expectations for the students' academics and behavior with support
  7. Students will be enrolled in courses which will prepare them for college
  8. Students will participate in team building and confidence building activities
  9. Students will be encouraged to become leaders in the community and school

<b>AVID Is...</b>	<b>AVID is NOT...</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A 6-12th grade program that students must be accepted to through an application and interview process</li> <li>• An accelerated elective class for students who want to succeed and prepare for college readiness</li> <li>• A year long course</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An at risk program</li> <li>• A behavior intervention</li> <li>• A remedial program</li> <li>• An elective class that a student can simply choose</li> </ul>

- In order to remain enrolled in the program students must:**
- Maintain a good attitude and show effort
  - Maintain satisfactory behavior
  - Maintain a 2.5 GPA
  - Commit to full participation in AVID strategies (using a binder, planner, tutorials, etc)

- Some fabulous statistics!**
- In AACPS, just under 7000 students are enrolled in the AVID program!
  - AVID students receive a higher percentage of C's or better in their courses than their non-AVID peers.
  - In 2023-2024, 515 AVID seniors earned a combined \$83.3 million in scholarship offers!
  - 92% of AVID seniors were accepted to at least one four year college

- AVID Honors Cord**
- High school AVID students can earn an honors cord when they meet the following criteria:
- Take an AP/IB exam or earn college credit
  - Take the SAT or ACT
  - Complete the AVID Senior Data
  - Participate in AVID for at least 3 yrs of HS, including their senior year
  - Apply and be accepted to at least one four year college
  - GP at 2.75 or higher