

AVID

Advancement via Individual Determination

• What is AVID?

- ✓ **A program designed to support students in middle school and prepare students for success in high school and beyond**
- ✓ A program structured on the belief that students succeed based on their own determination and hard work.
- ✓ A year-long elective
- ✓ Designed for students to remain in the program throughout middle school (and ideally high school, too)

• AVID Objectives

- ✓ To provide academic instruction and other support to students to prepare them for academic success
- ✓ To give students the skills to succeed in middle school and high schools (and college once they get there)
- ✓ To increase the study, time management, and learning skills of program participants
- ✓ To increase the participants' level of college and career awareness

• AVID Activities and Program Focus

- ✓ Developing success strategies
- ✓ Developing organizational and time management skills
- ✓ Goal setting
- ✓ Improving reading and writing skills
- ✓ Test taking skills
- ✓ Participating in collaborative tutorials
- ✓ Interacting with guest speakers
- ✓ Participating in extra curricular and community activities
- ✓ Preparing for high school

• The AVID Student

- ✓ Has the desire to do well in middle school and high school
- ✓ Has the desire to attend a four year college
- ✓ Cares about his/her grades
- ✓ Displays appropriate classroom behavior
- ✓ Maintains a good attendance record
- ✓ Has a strong work ethic
- ✓ Is willing to do all of his/her homework
- ✓ Is will to utilize and carry a BIG AVID binder
- ✓ Is willing to make and review Cornell Notes EACH NIGHT
- ✓ Is willing to enroll in a rigorous college preparatory sequence of classes
- ✓ Is open to trying new learning and organizational strategies
- ✓ Believes that, ultimately, he/she is responsible for his/her success