

Membership Benefits

While you support your students, we support you.

Welcome to the AVID family!

As you join the worldwide family of AVID schools and districts, your membership includes certification support and data analysis, opportunities to connect with other educators, access to information regarding partnerships and the development of resources, networking, and the sharing of best practices. You will also enjoy direct service benefits as well as intrinsic benefits along with a variety of other support services that are available at an additional cost, depending upon your needs.

As a member of the AVID family, you will:

- Increase student eligibility for four-year college/university entrance requirements and an increased college-going rate for AVID graduates
- Give support to teachers engaging students in rigorous curriculum to prepare students to be college-ready
- Teach strategies that align with national/state standards
- Provide materials that correlate to current instructional research findings
- Use curricula support for national/state testing (PSAT, SAT, ACT) both in test preparation and expanded exam participation
- Collaborate with other organizations to increase access to AP®, IB®, etc.
- Provide materials and coaching for student academic competitions, recognition models, and national scholarships



Curriculum Resources and Training

A district contract with AVID provides the following resources:

- Teacher resource guides and student materials to bolster the AVID elective class based on the best teaching practices in writing, inquiry, collaboration, organization, and reading (WICOR) and supported by state and national content standards
- Content-area, college-prep teacher guides and student materials modeling content literacy skills in science, mathematics, history/social science, and language arts for both regular and advanced courses, including AP®, IB®, Honors, Cambridge®, and dual enrollment courses
- Teacher guides and student materials emphasizing college and career planning strategies for student success by focusing on time management and study skills for students in upper elementary through high school
- Teacher guide for English Language Learners
- Tutor training resource materials for teachers and tutors containing units on collaborative grouping, inquiry, Socratic Seminar, and reading/writing-to-learn strategies
- Electronic curriculum updates, available as new materials are developed

Technology-Based Support

- 24/7 access to MyAVID, the secure online AVID community
- Discussion forums
- Online trainings, with support for teachers, administrators, tutors, site coordinators, and directors
- File sharing, including downloadable lessons, forms, PowerPoint® presentations, and other resources
- Contact management system, allowing schools and districts to update information and keep in contact with the MyAVID online community
- Online registration for AVID Summer Institutes and other AVID Center online trainings

Funding Support

Funding sources for AVID include federal initiatives, such as GEAR UP, School Improvement Grants, and APIP; state education initiatives; corporate and private foundations; individuals; and a variety of local community supports. Resources are available on www.avid.org to assist district grant writers in preparing proposals including details on the alignment of AVID with specific initiatives.

Quality Assurances

AVID's quality assurance process is designed to help schools and districts implement AVID with fidelity to AVID's model. To achieve the highest student achievement and adult transformation results, support at a variety of levels includes:

- A certification self-study process identifying a structure and process calibrating schools as they move forward to implement all 11 AVID Essentials with fidelity
- Models of AVID sites representing various district contexts
- Models of AVID systems achieving schoolwide and districtwide effects
- Support from regional, state, and divisional offices with directors and program managers who coach a site's implementation of AVID, who provide training on the collection and interpretation of data, and who assist district directors in their recommendations for site certification status
- Guidance and training for cohorts of regional/district directors working with their local sites
- Recognition programs celebrating AVID certified sites which model "best practices" and/or achieve schoolwide metrics identifying them as "AVID Certified Schoolwide Site of Distinction"
- Recognition as an "AVID Demonstration School," which serves as a teaching facility for other sites choosing to implement AVID



Professional Development

In addition to training included with AVID membership, supplemental opportunities are available. Included with AVID membership:

- Regional/divisional workshops for AVID teachers and coordinators
- Tutorial training in AVID methodologies relating to the AVID Essentials
- Support for families helping their students understand the educational process and the path to college
- AVID consultant support for growth and effective program implementation
- Protocols supporting student recruitment aligned with AVID Essentials
- Protocols for assessing districtwide AVID systems

Additional Opportunities for Training*:

- Summer Institutes for teams of AVID teachers, counselors, and administrators held across the country
- AVID's National Conference – discounted registration
- Path training for subject-area teachers
- Leadership for College Readiness
- Data Analysis
- English Learner College Readiness (ELCR)
- Summer Bridge trainings for Math and Science
- Schoolwide/districtwide coaching
- Multi-year training and support for district directors, including ADL

*Additional training costs and travel expenses may be incurred

Data Analysis and Reporting

- Overall program, state, province, regional, district, and site reports
- Web-based data collection and reporting
- Certification benchmarks based on alignment to the AVID Essentials
- Longitudinal system/program reports
- Data collection and reporting through AVID's secure website

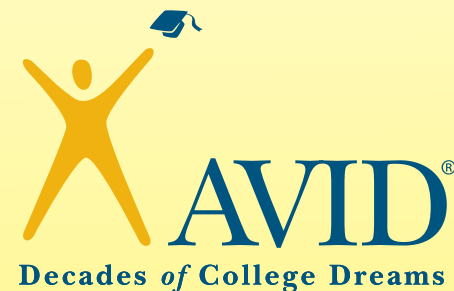
Research

Members of the AVID network have access to research on the effectiveness of AVID strategies, a sampling of which follows. (More can be found at www.avid.org/abo_research.html.)

“Success at Every Step: How 23 Programs Support Youth on the Path to College and Beyond.” Sarah Hooker and Betsy Brand. American Youth Policy Forum, 2009. The programs in “Success at Every Step” represent a wide range of interventions, including schoolwide reform initiatives, community-based afterschool services, work-based learning opportunities, and college access programs.

“A Comparison Study of 12th Grade Hispanic Students’ College Anticipations, Aspirations, and College Preparatory Measures.” Aliber Lozano, Karen M. Watt, Jeffery Huerta. American Secondary Education. Fall 2009. The purpose of this study was to assess the differences in educational aspirations and educational anticipations between four groups of high school seniors and to identify college preparatory measures achieved by the four groups.

“The Link Between High School Reform and College Access and Success for Low-Income and Minority Youth.” Monica Martinez, Shayna Klopott. American Youth Policy Forum, 2005. The authors provide a review of reform models including America’s Choice, AVID, Coalition for Essential Schools, First Things First, High Schools That Work, Talent Development High Schools, GE Foundation College Bound, and small learning environments.



District Benefits

- Support for new and veteran AVID member districts via regional/divisional/state offices
- Access to web resources or MyAVID, including community and curricular resources, presentations, data collection, reporting tools, and more
- Support from AVID Center to effectively implement AVID in a variety of settings and schedules, including upper elementary, middle level, high school, and postsecondary
- Use of AVID's copyrighted materials and trademarked logo
- Access to AVID Center's Marketing and Communications department to assist with local publicity, board presentations, and coaching on legislative outreach
- Access to AVID models for schoolwide and districtwide implementation
- Support and training for increasing academic rigor for all students



Membership questions, contact:
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AVID's mission is to close the achievement gap by preparing all students for college readiness and success in a global society.