# Current 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade (Entering 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>) Application What AVID is...

The mission of AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) is to ensure that ALL students, especially those who find themselves "in the middle," will succeed in rigorous curriculum, will complete a college prep path, and will become educated and responsible participants and leaders in society.

# What does the AVID elective look like?

- Support and encouragement that helps students be successful in one or more advanced level classes
- Large emphasis on organization
- Instruction on Cornell Notes (a note-taking system that helps students) in middle school, high school and college)
- > Tutoring from college students llege Dreams
- Field trips to College campuses
- A supportive and encouraging setting that helps students realize that college is an option

# The AVID application process...

- 1. Fill out the application completely and neatly in pen. Typing the responses is also acceptable.
- 2. Ask all teachers to fill out the grade recommendation form.
- 3. Ask one teacher to complete the Advanced Recommendation Form. This must be from a language arts, social studies, math or science teacher. Please note your teacher will return this form.
- 4. Turn in completed application and grade recommendation form to the back office or email to ahawk@pasco.k12.fl.us
- 5. Be prepared for an interview with the school's AVID Site Team.

## Contact Amanda Hawk, RBSMS AVID Coordinator, if you have any questions.

Decades of College Dreams ahawk@pasco.k12.fl.us or 813-794-6500



# Raymond B. Stewart Middle School AVID Application

Please complete neatly in ink.				
Student Name & Lunch Number				
Current Grade				
Parent/Guardian Name				
Address				
Home Phone				
Cell Phone				
Parent Email				
Student Email				

What is the highest level of education completed of:				
Your Father	• Elementary			
	○ High School			
	○ College			
Your Mother	○ Elementary			
	○ High School			
	<ul> <li>○ College</li> </ul>			

In your opinion, what is the most difficult aspect of school?

### What are your goals for middle school, high school, and after?

### What activities are you involved in at school and/or in the community?

Use the 1-4 scale (where 1 is not important and 4 is extremely important) to rate the following with how YOU feel and how you think your family feels.			
Question	You	Your Family	
How important is it for you to go to a 4-year college?	1234	1234	
How important is it to complete all of your class assignments?	1234	1234	
How important is it to make straight As?	1234	1234	
How important is it to get into the AVID program?	1234	1234	

Please answer yes or no to each of the following questions.					
Question	YES	NO			
Will you be the first in your family to					
attend college?					
Are you willing to work hard to					
succeed in your classes?					
Do you take personal responsibility for					
success in your classes?					
Are you willing to be a school leader					
and be involved in the AVID program?					
Do you have difficulty completing all					
your homework on a regular basis?					
I have support at home to complete					
my school assignments.					

#### **Personal Statement**

Use the space below (or attach a separate sheet) to describe yourself. What makes you unique? What kind of learner/student are you? Why would you like to be considered for AVID at Raymond B. Stewart Middle? Make sure you edit and have someone proofread before final submission.

By signing below, I give permission for my student to apply for AVID and understand my role is to fully support him/her by being as involved as possible in my student's education.

### Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

By signing below, I understand my responsibilities should I be chosen as an AVID student. I am fully committed to working hard and preparing myself for college.

### Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Please list 2 current teachers who you would like a recommendation from:

1) \_\_\_\_\_

2) \_\_\_\_\_

# **AVID Grade Recommendation**

The following student is applying for the AVID program. Teacher recommendations are a vital part of successful placement. Please take a moment to complete this form. Thank you in advance for your help.

### Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade \_\_\_\_\_

#### What AVID is...

- A research-based program that assists motivated students and provides them with support and tutoring to enable them to succeed in advanced classes
- > An in-school academic class that prepares students for college
- Students with academic potential
  - Average to high test scores
  - 2.0 3.5 GPA

#### What AVID isn't...

- A remedial program
- > An at risk program

Course	Teacher	Current Grade	Number Missing Assignments	Comments
Language Arts o Regular o Advanced				
Science o Regular o Advanced				
Social Studies (History/Civics)				
Math ○ Regular ○ Advanced				

# **AVID Advanced Teacher Recommendation**

The following student is applying for the AVID program. Teacher recommendations are a vital part of successful placement. Please take a moment to complete this form and **return to Ms. Hawk's box**. Thank you in advance for your help.

Student Name	Current Grade
Teacher	Date

#### What AVID is...

- A research-based program that assists motivated students and provides them with support and tutoring to enable them to succeed in advanced classes
- > An in-school academic class that prepares students for college
- Students with academic potential
  - Average to high test scores
  - 2.0 3.5 GPA

### What AVID isn't...

- A remedial program
- > An at risk program

#### Please rate the student to the best of your knowledge.

Attribute	Poor	Fair	Good	Тор 10%	No Basis for Judgment
Personal character					
Ability to handle obstacles					
Attendance					
Punctuality					
Voluntary participation					
Peer relationships					
Time management					
Organization					
Overall personal motivation					

Additional comments about character, work habits, home life, background, leadership, need for AVID...

Date \_\_\_