

## ***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
- Field trips to College campuses
- A supportive and encouraging setting that helps students realize that college is an option

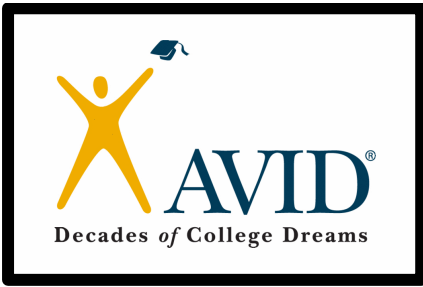
## ***The AVID application process...***

1. Fill out the application completely and neatly in pen. Typing the responses is also acceptable.
2. Ask your teacher to fill out the recommendation form.
3. Turn in completed application
4. Be prepared for an interview with the school’s AVID Site Team.

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

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***Decades of College Dreams***



# Raymond B. Stewart Middle School

## AVID Application

Please complete neatly in ink.

<b>Student Name</b>	
<b>Current Grade</b>	
<b>Parent/Guardian Name</b>	
<b>Address</b>	
<b>Home Phone</b>	
<b>Cell Phone</b>	
<b>Parent Email</b>	
<b>Student Email</b>	

What is the highest level of education completed of:

Your Father	<input type="radio"/> Elementary <input type="radio"/> High School <input type="radio"/> College
Your Mother	<input type="radio"/> Elementary <input type="radio"/> High School <input type="radio"/> College

How do you overcome academic challenges?

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

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

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

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**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.**

<b>Question</b>	<b>You</b>	<b>Your Family</b>
How important is it for you to go to a 4-year college?	1 2 3 4	1 2 3 4
How important is it to complete all of your class assignments?	1 2 3 4	1 2 3 4
How important is it to make straight As?	1 2 3 4	1 2 3 4
How important is it to get into the AVID program?	1 2 3 4	1 2 3 4

**Please answer yes or no to each of the following questions.**

<b>Question</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
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?		

## **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** \_\_\_\_\_

# AVID 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 RBSMS by February 12, 2016**. Thank you in advance for your help.

**Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **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

Grades	Math	Science	SS	LA
<b>Current</b>				
<b># of Missing Assignments</b>				

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

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

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

**Teacher Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_