

Student First & Last Name: _____

Today's Date: _____ Grade (for next year): _____



Drake AVID Student Application 2019

STUDENT: We are excited that you're interested in joining Drake's AVID program! Please complete the following application to be considered. Remember that one of your electives will be replaced with the AVID class if you're selected. Please return the hard copy form to Jolie Jacobs, Ms. Seabury's secretary, in the front office.

What is AVID?

AVID is an elective college preparatory system that prepares students to attend a four-year college upon high school graduation. We're looking for students who are in the academic middle, who are motivated to make changes, and who want to go to college. The elective class is NOT a place to finish homework. Instead, students build skills necessary to succeed post-high school in a collaborative and highly literate world.

Student Goals

- Enrollment in and academic success in college preparatory courses to ensure enrollment in a four-year college or university upon graduation.
 - Successful completion of other college eligibility requirements.
 - Involvement in extracurricular and leadership opportunities.
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Personal Data

Student Email: _____

Parents'/Guardians' Names: _____

Parents'/Guardians' Emails: _____

Parents'/Guardians' Phone Numbers: _____

Student Short Answer Questions--Please use extra paper if you need more room, and staple it to this packet.

1. Why do you want to be in Drake's AVID program? What are your academic goals for the future?

2. What is the biggest obstacle that you have ever had to overcome, and how did you do it?

3. How often are you absent from or tardy to your classes? Explain why.

4. List any extracurricular activities or volunteering that you currently participate in.

If you're selected, which of your electives would you like to give up? _____

- If you still need your PE credits, would you like to take the zero period PE class? yes no
- If you're a junior/senior and have a free period in your schedule, the AVID class can replace it so you don't have to give up any of your electives.

Additional Student Information: This information will further assist us in identifying possible candidates who best fit the AVID profile. Please complete the following questionnaire. This information is confidential and will only be used by the AVID site team.

1. Parent/Guardian's Highest Educational Level:

- Did not graduate high school
- Graduated high school
- Completed some college
- Graduated two-year college
- Graduated four-year college
- Post-graduate education

2. Ethnic Background (mark all that apply):

- Caucasian/White
- African-American
- Hispanic/Latino
- Afro-Hispanic/Latino
- American Indian/Alaska Native
- Asian
- Filipino
- Other Asian Pacific Islander: _____
- Other: _____

3. Student's Gender

- Female
- Male
- Other: _____

4. What language(s) do you speak at home? _____

5. Please **attach a copy** of your most recent progress report or report card to this application.

6. OPTIONAL→ Supplemental Criteria: Please record any challenges or circumstances that have made it difficult (or continue to make it difficult) for you to be completely successful in school. Add paper if necessary.

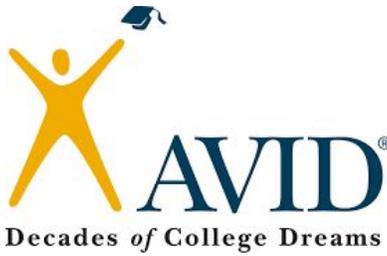
To the best of my knowledge, all information provided on this form is correct. I support my child's interest in joining the AVID Elective class at Drake High.

Student's Signature

Parent/Guardian's Signature

→ Please include a copy of your most recent report card with this application.

→ Please give the teacher recommendation form (next page) to one of your current teachers. Ask them to fill it out and return it by February 28.



Drake High School AVID Program Teacher Recommendation Form 2019

Student Name: _____

Recommending Teacher Name: _____

Class: _____

The Drake AVID mission:

The AVID program works to “close the achievement gap by preparing all students for college readiness and success in a global society.” The AVID elective is a course that will prepare students for the rigors of college preparatory classes by providing study and organizational skills, as well as tutoring help during the AVID elective class. Once in the AVID elective, students are routinely required to enroll in their school’s toughest courses, such as honors or Advanced Placement.

AVID teachers are looking for students who are in the academic middle, who are motivated to make changes, and who want to go to college. The elective class is not a place to finish homework. Instead, students build skills necessary to succeed post-high school in a collaborative and highly literate world.

As we prepare to interview candidates, we are gathering as much information as possible about prospective students. Please rate the student based on your perception of the student’s ability to be successful in the AVID Elective. Feel free to email your response to LoRayne Ortega at lortega@tamdistrict.org. You can print it out and hand-deliver it to Liz Seabury, or put it in one of our boxes instead. (If at a middle school, you can give it to your administrator.) Your recommendation will be kept confidential. **The form is due February 28.**

Please use the scale to rate the skills listed below:
Never (0), Sometimes (1), Often (2), Always (3).

- Demonstrates motivation _____
- Willingness to work with others _____
- Acceptable attendance and on time to class _____
- Brings materials _____
- Seeks help when needed _____
- Actively participates in class _____
- Practices good citizenship and classroom behavior _____

Optional→ Additional Information: Not all of the nominated students can participate in AVID because only a limited number of spaces are available. If you feel that this candidate should definitely be in AVID next year, please explain what makes this candidate a good fit. Accordingly, please let us know of any reservations that you may have about the candidate.