

 **STOUT MIDDLE SCHOOL 2019-2020**

 **AVID INFORMATION**

**What is AVID?**

AVID stands for Advancement Via Individual Determination and is a regularly scheduled elective class that prepares students in the middle, with academic potential, for success in advanced high school classes and in college.

**What are the expectations for an AVID student?**

* Maintain an average of C or above
* Show great citizenship and attendance
* Maintain an organized binder
* Take notes everyday, in every class
* Participate in weekly tutorials
* Write, Question, Collaborate, Read
* Take PSAT
* Be involved in fundraisers/community service
* Apply to several colleges

**What are the expectations for an AVID parent?**

* Encourage their students to achieve academically
* Maintain regular contact with the AVID teacher
* Become involved in the activities of the AVID program

**What happens in the AVID program?**

1. Students receive academic instruction in writing, note-taking, studying, test taking, and organizing
2. Students receive academic support from college tutors through collaborative tutorial groups and peer counseling
3. Students are motivated to pursue academic excellence through goal setting, rigorous classes, cultural and collegiate field trips, classroom speakers, and AVID team building

**Who qualifies for AVID?**

* Student with at least a 2.0 grade point average (mostly in core classes)
* Student who has appropriate classroom behavior
* Student may be the first in the family to go to college
* Student who has good attendance and is punctual
* Student has the motivation and desire to prepare for entrance to a four-year college or university.



**AVID STUDENT APPLICATION 2019-2020**

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| **Parent/Guardian: Please fill out the following section.**  |

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|  **Student’s Last Name** | **Student’s First Name** | **Middle Initial**  |
|  **Student Number**  | **Current Grade Level 6 7** |  |
|  **Parent/Guardian’s Last Name** | **Parent/Guardian’s First Name** | **Today’s Date** **/ /**  |
|  **Home Phone Number****( ) -** | **Parent/Guardian’s Cell Phone Number****( ) -** | **Is your child currently enrolled in AVID?** **Yes/No** |
| **Parent/Guardian Email Address** | **Student Email Address** |  |
| **Father’s/Guardian’s Highest Level of Education****\_\_ Some High School****\_\_ Some college****\_\_ AA/AS Degree****\_\_ BA/BS Degree** **\_\_ Master’s Degree or Above** | **Mother’s/Guardians Highest Level of Education****\_\_ Some High School****\_\_ Some college****\_\_ AA/AS Degree****\_\_ BA/BS Degree** **\_\_ Master’s Degree or Above** |  |

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| Teacher Recommendation Needed |

**Please write down the name of a core teacher that you think will recommend you for the AVID Elective class.**

**Teachers will then base their recommendations on the following criteria:**

* **General Behavior**
* **Organizational Skills**
* **Turning Work In On Time**
* **Willingness To Accept Support**
* **Ability To Do Honor Work With Extra Support**
* **School Attendance**
* **Internal Motivation**
* **Writing Skills**
* **Working With Other Student**

**Teacher’s Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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| Student Commitment: Please read and sign the following section: |

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| **If I qualify for AVID, I will do the following:*** **Enroll in rigorous coursework**
* **Maintain a successful grade point average**
* **Maintain satisfactory citizenship, attendance, and participation in all classes**
* **Maintain an organized binder**
* **Complete all homework assignments and commit to at least two hours of homework every night**
* **Be prepared for the tutors on tutoring days**

**I agree to accept enrollment into the AVID elective class, which will offer academic support. I want to succeed, and I understand that I must take individual responsibility for my own success. I am willing to commit to remaining in the AVID Elective class for the entire current school year. I will be allowed to remain in the program only if I meet the responsibilities outlined above. Students who opt out of the AVID Elective may not be able to get back into the program the following year.** **Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** **Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** |

**AVID Student Application**

Student’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Student I.D. #: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Student Short Answer Questions You may attach another sheet to this form.**

Explain what you like most about school? Explain what you like least about school?

What about AVID appeals to you? If you have previously participated in the AVID Elective, what did you gain from the experience, and why do you want to continue? What makes you a strong candidate for the AVID Elective?

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

What are your academic goals for the future?

Why do you believe that college is important? Will you be the first member of your family to go to college? If so, how

does that make you feel?