

8th and Incoming 9th Grade Parent/Student Information Night



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Introductions!

The AVID Team

- **Sara Velarde**, AVID Coordinator & AVID 3 Elective Teacher
- **Jacquie Morck**, AVID Counselor
- **Tiffany Wilson**, AVID 1 Elective Teacher, District Coordinator
- **Lester Maldonado**, AVID 2 Elective Teacher
- **Jennifer Heuerman**, AVID 4 Elective Teacher
- **Ana Link**, AVID Site Team
- **Scott Blake**, AVID Site Team
- **Mike Thomas**, AVID Site Team
- **Andrea Wilson**, AVID Site Team



Advancement

Via

Individual

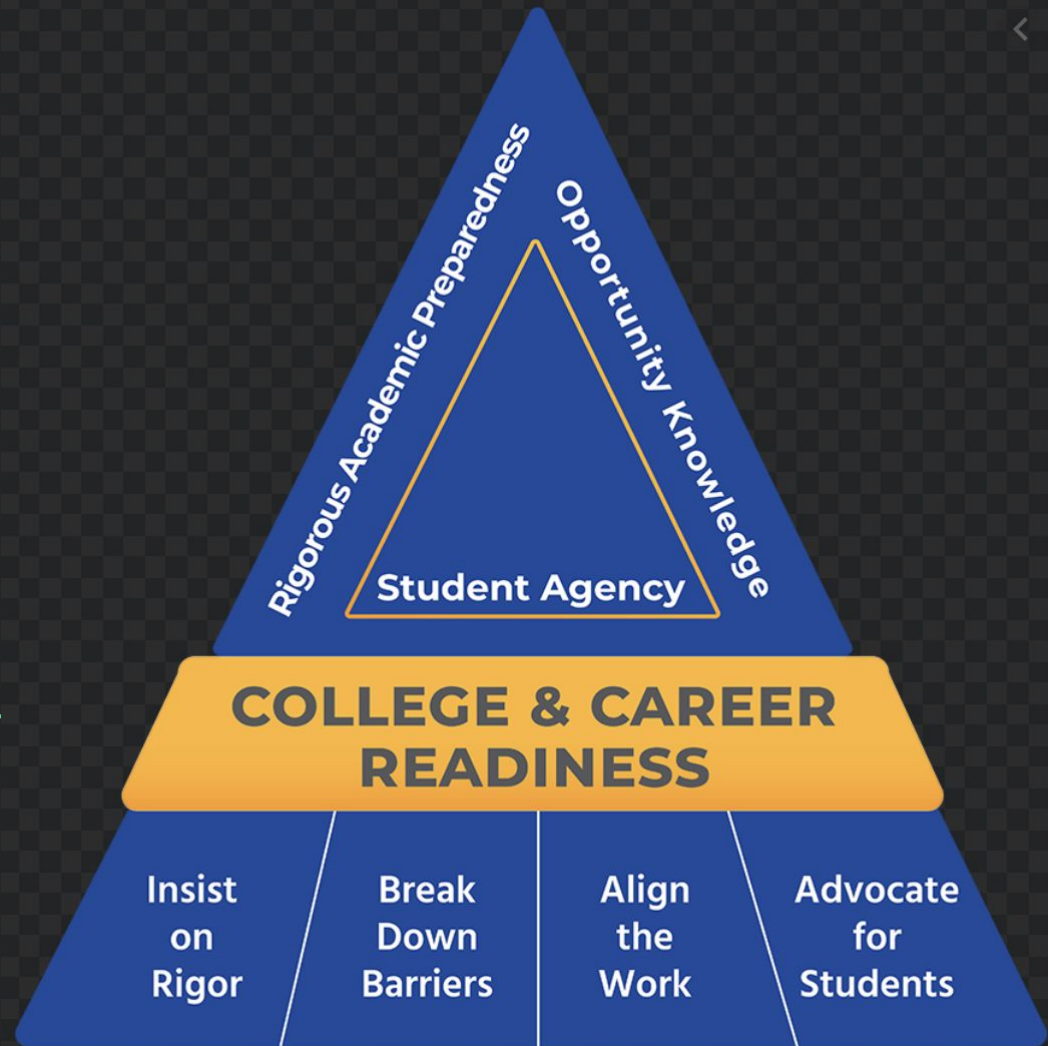
Determination



[L. avidus]: eager for knowledge

AVID's
mission is to
close the
**achievement
gap**

by preparing
all students
for college.



What is AVID?



- AVID is an academic, elective class
- The main components of the program are:
 - Academic Instruction
 - Collaborative Study Groups/Tutorial
 - Motivational/Leadership Activities
 - College and Career Research and Readiness

What AVID Is Not

- A Remedial Class
- For “*At Risk*” Students
- A “Homework/Study Hall” Class
- One-to-One Tutoring



Academic Instruction

- Curriculum will occur in class every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.
- **Reinforces and strengthens:**
 - Study and organizational skills
 - Focused notes and goal setting
 - Critical reading, writing, collaboration, and presentation skills
 - preparation for college entrance examinations, including SAT[®].
- They will be *encouraged* to apply *these* skills in **all** academic classes.

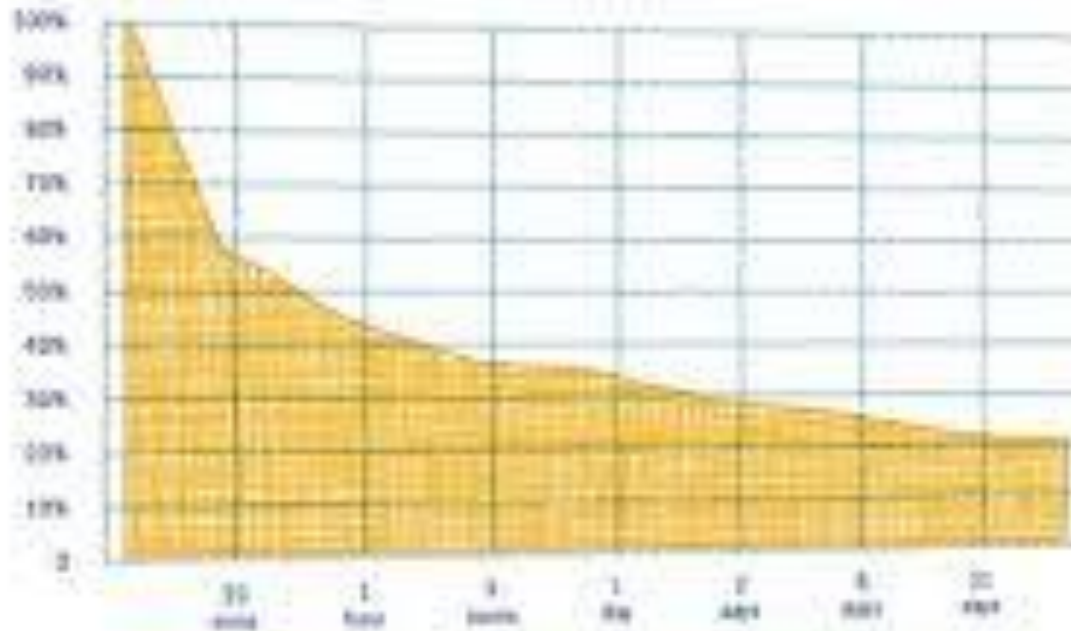
Course Content for AVID 1

- ☐ Note taking
- ☐ Tutorial
- ☐ Organization
- ☐ Active Reading Strategies
- ☐ Test Taking Strategies
- ☐ Stress and Test Management
- ☐ Presentations (Small and Large groups)
- ☐ Goal Setting
- ☐ College Research (A-G requirements, Colleges, Majors introduction)
- ☐ Personal Learning Styles
- ☐ Possible occupations based on their personalities
- ☐ Working with the AVID Counselor
- ☐ Community Service
- ☐ Leadership

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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Focused Note Taking and Tutorials

Curve of FORGETTING



What The 10th, 11th, and 12th Grade Will Look Like:

Key to the Program Every Year:

Critical Reading and Writing
Presentations
Leadership Activities
Mindfulness Strategies
Community Service

Effective Learning Strategies
Focused Note Taking
Collaborative Assignments
Organization
Goal Setting

College Research
A-G Monitoring
Tutorial Support
Morck Visits
Grade Checks

AVID 2 (Mr. Maldonado)

- Career Research
- Socratic Seminars and Research
- Leadership Building
- Public Speaking (one minute speeches)
- Studies Strategies Presentations
- College/Post Secondary Research

AVID 3 (Mrs. Velarde)

- Naviance for College Search
- College Portfolio to prepare for senior year applications
- Resume
- Interviews
- Future Major Exploration
- Scholarship Applications

AVID 4 (Mrs. Heuerman)

- Morck Mondays
- Help applying to college
- Assistance with writing College Essays/Personal Statements
- FAFSA Support
- Scholarship Applications
- Pre-college support (setting up classes, preparing for college)



Collaborative Study Groups

- This occurs on Tuesday and Thursday.
- Tutorials are facilitated by college tutors.
- Teaches students to work collaboratively to be successful in the most rigorous courses.



Tutorial



Motivational and Leadership Activities

- Students will visit **3 four year** Universities a year.
- Improve **public communication skills** through a variety of activities such as **community service** and **team builders**
- Use **NAVIANCE** to explore their strengths and learn where they have room for improvement.



College and Career Research

- By their senior year, they will have completed a **Multi-Grade Level “Portfolio”** of their research throughout the 3 years.
- We assist students with the **college application process, financial aid, and finding scholarships for four year colleges and universities.**
- We encourage and monitor that students take A-G courses that meet four-year college entrance requirements.



Why does it work?

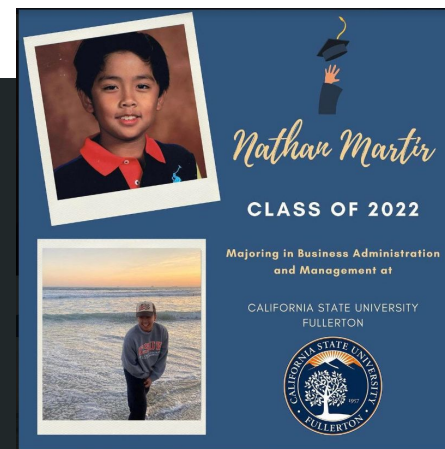
- AVID places students in **rigorous curriculum** and gives them **support to achieve**
- Provides the explicit **“hidden curriculum”** of schools
- Provides a **team of students** for positive peer identification
- Redefines the teacher’s role as that of student advocate



AVID at Troy



- Mentorship Program
- Volunteer Opportunities
- AVID Student Counsel
- Different Programs
 - o Troy Tech and AVID
 - o IB and AVID
 - o Cambridge and AVID
 - o Sports and AVID



TRHS AVID STUDENTS:

1. Name
2. Year in School
3. Activities
4. Why you joined AVID
5. Most helpful/what you like most about the program

Who Is The AVID Student?

- *Has academic potential*
 - Average to high standardized test scores
 - Minimum 2.5 GPA
 - Honors/AP/IB potential with support
 - Desire and determination
 - Goal: 4-year college/university



AVID Application Process

- **Put AVID on your Course Request for next year**
- **Complete the AVID application**
- **Need a copy of:**
 - o Recent Attendance Record
 - o Middle School Transcript (if in high school not needed)
 - o Copy of current 504/IEP
- **Student interviews will be scheduled in late March**





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AVID Information Night

When: March 6, 2024 (Wednesday) at 5:00pm

Where: Troy High School Theater

Prospective 8th grade students and parents are welcome to attend to learn more about AVID at Troy! This event will be held right before the Local Parent Information Night with the Counselors.

We will be opening our AVID Application for the 2024-25 school year in January.

[Here is our application for the 2024-25 School Year](#)

Please email svelarde@fjuhsd.org for any question you have about the AVID program.

For more information check out our AVID page on Troy's Website

Questions? svelarde@fjuhsd.org

