

Advancement Via Individual Determination @ Torrey Pines High School
Middle School Application

Return this application to the AVID teacher or your counselor by Friday, March 25, 2011.

Candidate's Name _____ Student ID Number _____

Middle School _____ Home Phone Number _____

Name of teacher who will recommend you _____

Please answer the following questions legibly and thoughtfully. This will determine whether or not AVID is a good match for you. Write in complete sentences.

1. Before today, what did you know about the AVID program, if anything?

2. Today, after learning more about the AVID program, what do you like about it?

3. Circle the following that apply to you:
 - a. My GPA is higher than a 2.5 (Please list your current GPA _____.)
 - b. I have appropriate behavior in class.
 - c. I have good attendance.
 - d. I make the extra effort to go to tutoring to get help with my homework.
 - e. I am motivated to work hard to improve my grades and get into a 4-year college.

4. Do you have any circumstances that act as barriers to your academic success or admittance to college? Circle all that apply.
 - a. I may have trouble paying for a 4-year university.
 - b. I have a parent who did not graduate from college.
 - c. I am part of a disadvantaged or underserved population.
 - d. I have special circumstances that may harm my academic achievement.

5. Describe your study habits. What prevents you from doing your homework? Have you ever received a “D” or “F”? What was the reason and how did you try to repair the grade?

6. Do you receive help from your parents, siblings, or a tutor when you have problems with homework? Also, how do you react to setbacks and overcome your problems in general?

7. AVID helps you to accelerate your academic progress by placing you in a challenging curriculum while providing the support you need to do well and gain acceptance to a 4-year university. Describe why YOU want to be in this program.

8. What are your extracurricular activities?

Use the space below or attach a separate sheet of paper to tell the AVID Review Committee why we should accept you into the AVID program at the high school level. *Tell us anything that makes you a good candidate for this program that prepares students for college. Be sure to explain any special circumstances.*

Student Signature: _____

By signing here, you are agreeing to be a leader at TPHS which includes: giving your best academic effort, making good choices, and staying drug and alcohol free. If you violate these terms, we will convene as a team and explore the possibility of removal from AVID. Joining AVID is a commitment, which we hope you will take advantage of during the four years you will be in high school in order to help you reach your dream of attending a four-year university.

Parent Signature: _____