Program-Title Advancement Via Individual Determination

STEM Inventory

Entry# 96

Org-Type Non-Profit-based

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Service-Region Nationwide

Type Student Program

Subjects General Science | Biology | Math | Chemistry | Physics | Earth Science | Space | Computer Science | Environmental

Science | Engineering | Robotics | Technology | Other

Level Elementary School (K-5th grade) | Middle School (5-8th grade) | High School (9-12th grade)

Other-Objectives

Served-per-Year Demographics

Content

AVID is a fourth through twelfth grade system to prepare students in the academic middle for four-year college eligibility. It has a proven track record in bringing out the best in students, and in closing the achievement gap. AVID targets students in the academic middle — B, C, and even D students — who have the desire to go to college and the willingness to work hard. These are students who are capable of completing rigorous curriculum but are falling short of their potential. Typically, they will be the first in their families to attend college, and many are from low-income or minority families. AVID pulls these students out of their unchallenging courses and puts them on the college track: acceleration instead of remediation. Not only are students enrolled in their school's toughest classes, such as honors and Advanced Placement, but also in the AVID elective. For one period a day, they learn organizational and study skills, work on critical thinking and asking probing questions, get academic help from peers and college tutors, and participate in enrichment and motivational activities that make college seem attainable. Their self-images improve, and they become academically successful leaders and role models for other students. Currently, in California there are programs in the following regions: Sonoma County, Shast County, Sacramento, San Diego, Bay Area, Santa Clara Area, Stockton, Fresno County, San Luis Obispo County, Riverside & San

Bernardino Counties, Los Angeles County.

Outcomes AVID prepares students for a four-year college entry. The program brings out the best in students coming from low-income or minority

families and is closing the achievement gap in those students who are in the academic middle and those at the higher end.

Started Funded-Through

Length Ongoing Cost

Primary-Funding Government Primary-\$ School districts enter into agreements with

AVID Center for materials, membership, and professional development. Districts provide

public school teachers and tutors.

Materials

Other-Funding

How-Assessed

Best-Practice-Why State-funded, independent research, together with AVID's own data, validate that the AVID college-readiness system works. AVID

students are more likely to take AP classes, complete their college eligibility requirements, and get into four-year colleges than students who don't take AVID. Almost all AVID students who participate for at least three years are accepted to college, with roughly three quarters getting into four-year universities. AVID also helps ensure students, once accepted to college, possess the higher-level

skills they need for college success. Visit Number Crunching to learn more about AVID's data and research.

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