# Help You Achieve Your College Goals

#### Jeremy San Buenaventura UC Santa Cruz Computer Science

AVID has been invaluable in my college journey as an Asian American student. The program provided me with personalized academic support, career exploration, and essential life skills. Additionally, the diversity and inclusivity of the AVID community allowed me to connect with other students who shared similar experiences and challenges, and we were able to support each other through our academic journeys.



#### Seila Phipps UCLA

Physiological Sciences

AVID has helped me so much over the years, and especially during application season. AVID gave me the support and information that I needed for my future. AVID gives me structure and it is how I was able to stay on top of applying to so many schools. The constant support from all my teachers was another reason I had the strength and courage to continue along with their belief in me.



#### Makhi Franklin Northeastern Accounting/Finance

AVID has helped me more than I can put into words, when it comes to facilitating the college application process. In my early years of AVID I wondered why we did the things we did as far as notes, organization, and checking grades. Now I understand and am headed to college with proper preparation, furthermore allowing my AVID experience to come full circle.



# Contact AVID Site Coordinators for Applications, Deadlines, and Further Information

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# **Dreams of College?**

AVID in SMMUSD Can Help You Turn Your Dreams into Reality



# What Happens in an AVID Class?



Skill Development - Improve your note taking, organization, time management, and test taking.

Practice and polish your academic skills in reading writing, public speaking, critical thinking!

College Preparatory Activities -Learn about a variety of colleges and universities through guest speakers, field trips, research, and collaborative inquiry

## **AVID Curriculum**

The AVID curriculum, which emphasizes Writing, Inquiry, Collaboration, Organization, and Reading, supports each student in their core classes.



The AVID team will be there every step of your journey towards college acceptance and attendance. Regular small group tutoring...

# **The AVID Support Structure**

Meet with specially trained college Tutors twice a week to work on concepts from every subject area.

Each teacher is handpicked to deliver instruction that is creative, rigorous, and relevant while fostering an atmosphere that is inclusive and supportive.

Learn alongside determined and disciplined peers working towards an academic future beyond high school.

And YOU! The student who believes in the idea of Advancement Via Individual Determination!



#### Nathaly Juarez Meza Syracuse University-Public Relations

I moved to the U.S when I was really young and at first, I thought I was going to be unable to pursue my education as a first generation student. However, AVID helped me realize that it is possible, even on the other side of the country. This program helped me get to where I am today through the support of my teachers and the resources given to me. Thank you for everything:)



# Sample Week in AVID

#### **Two Days of Tutorial**

- Trained Tutors provided to assist with core class work
- Collaborative work sessions where students learn to help each other
- Tutor groups formed according to subject area needed

### Two Days of Skill-Building

- Reading critically and writing for all classes
- Note-taking across the curriculum
- Increasing critical thinking and collaboration skills through Socratic Seminar and other group discussion techniques
- Improving organization through consistent binder and homework checks

# One Day of Motivation and Reflection

- Organization & Note-taking check in
- Reflective writing, guest speakers, community days, and more!