

MT. DIABLO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
COURSE OF STUDY: CURRICULAR AREA – ELECTIVES

COURSE TITLE: AVID 9 (Advancement Via Individual Determination)

COURSE NUMBER: 059202

DEPARTMENT: Electives

LENGTH OF COURSE: One Year

CREDITS PER SEMESTER: 5

GRADE LEVEL(S): ALL

REQUIRED OR ELECTIVE: Elective

PREREQUISITES: None

BOARD OF EDUCATION ADOPTION:

~~6-12 ELECTIVE TEACHER RECOMMENDATION BASED ON TEST SCORES AND GPAS THAT SHOW A DISCREPANCY BETWEEN PERFORMANCE AND POTENTIAL.~~

~~BOARD OF EDUCATION ADOPTION: 6/20/95~~

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

~~AVID is a college preparatory elective in which students learn the skills to be successful in school and college. Students learn to apply study, test taking, time management, writing and critical thinking/problem solving skills to the content of their other academic courses. Tutorials and study groups focus on individual students' needs.~~

~~Outside speakers, college field trips and career exploration helps students see the connection between school and their future lives. Students are encouraged to repeat the elective for three or four years during middle and high school.~~

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) is an academic elective course that prepares students for college readiness and success, and it is scheduled during the regular school day as a year-long course. Each week, students receive instruction that utilizes a rigorous college-preparatory curriculum provided by AVID Center, tutor-facilitated study groups, motivational activities, and academic success skills. In AVID, students participate in activities that incorporate strategies focused on writing, inquiry, collaboration, organization, and reading to support their academic growth. Additionally, students engage in activities centered around exploring college and career opportunities and their own agency.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

MAJOR GOALS

~~1.1 Develop college entry level skills 1.2 Complete courses and tests required for college admission~~

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~~1.3 Increase career awareness~~

~~1.4 Acquire attitudes and coping skills needed for academic success~~

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVE

The students will be able to:

~~2.1 Writing Process~~

~~2.1.1 Develop ideas from first to final draft.~~

~~2.1.2 Write for different purposes and audiences.~~

~~2.1.3 Write competently without errors that distract from communication.~~

~~2.2 Study Techniques~~

~~2.2.1 Listen, take and rewrite notes.~~

~~2.2.2 Ask questions to increase understanding.~~

~~2.2.3 Manage study time effectively.~~

~~2.2.4 Read textbooks for meaning and understanding.~~

~~2.2.5 Organize material and prepare for tutorials and group discussions.~~

~~2.2.6 Utilize computers to do assignments.~~

~~2.3 Inquiry Method~~

~~2.3.1 Apply critical thinking skills to academic and real life problems.~~

~~2.3.2 Participate in Socratic discussion groups.~~

~~2.3.3 Acknowledge arguments/evidence based on logic and clear thinking.~~

CONTENT COMPONENTS

~~3.1 Academic Skills~~

~~3.1.1 Writing process: Prewriting, draft, response, revise, edit, final draft, publication~~

~~3.1.2 Writing modes: Biography, autobiography, problem/solution, evaluative, report of information, speculation about effects, story~~

~~3.1.3 Cornell note taking 3.1.4 Learning Logs 3.1.5 Library research 3.1.6 Test taking 3.1.7 Time management~~

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~~3.1.8 Textbook reading 3.1.9 Critical thinking~~

~~3.2 Career and College information 3.2.1 Course and credit requirements for college 3.2.2 College admissions tests 3.2.3 College application procedures and financial aids 3.2.4 Career research and exploration 3.2.5 Review of academic course requirements for college~~

~~TIME ESTIMATES~~

~~4.1~~

~~Forty percent of instructional time is engaged in tutorials to support college prep curriculum.~~

~~4.2~~

~~Forty percent of time is devoted to skills development.~~

~~4.3 Twenty percent of class time involves motivational and enrichment activities. INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS 5.1 AVID Curriculum Guides 6-12~~

~~5.2 Textbooks and materials from college prep classes~~

~~5.3. Supplementary print, software, audio-visual materials including career, college, and motivational resources~~

~~EVALUATION OF STUDENT PROGRESS~~

~~6.1~~

~~Collections of student work~~

~~6.2 6.3~~

~~6.4~~

~~Career projects Oral participation and presentations~~

~~Writing assignments~~

~~6.5 Classroom quizzes and tests 6.6 Standardized tests 6.7. GPA~~

~~6.8 6.9~~

~~Completion of A-F requirements College or university admission~~

COURSE OBJECTIVES

[AVID Elective 9 Content Standards](#)

Grade 9
<u>AVID 9 Elective</u>

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9th Grade Weeks at a Glance

Weeks at a Glance	Activities & Resources	
<u>Days 1-30</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Introduction to AVID ● AVID Contract ● Binder Kick-Off ● Learning Logs ● Planner 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Intro to Focused Notes (FNT) ● Intro to Tutorials ● Guest Speaker - Principal ● College Roadmap/Goals ● Socratic Seminar ● Life Goals Essay, Presentations, and Reflection
<u>Days 31-60</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Tutorials ● Community Service Unit ● Costa's Levels of Inquiry ● Focused Note-Taking 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Binder ● College Testing Unit ● Field Trip
<u>Days 61-90</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Tutorials ● SLANT ● 30 Second Expert ● Intro to Conflict Management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Guest Speaker ● Binder ● Focused Note-Taking ● AVID Commercial ● Utilizing AVID Weekly
<u>Days 91-120</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Summary v. Reflection ● Personality Profiles ● Learning Preference Inventory ● Socratic Seminar 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mandala Unit ● Binder ● Focused Notes
<u>Days 121-150</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Managing Stress and Anxiety ● Study Strategies ● FNT Goal-Setting ● Tutorials 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● College Unit ● Guest Speaker
<u>Days 151-180</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Tutorials 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Personal Finance Unit

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Creating a Summer Plan● Binder Focused Notes● Philosophical Chairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Time Capsule● Portfolio Presentations
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