



PARAMOUNT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

OUR MISSION IS TO ENSURE LEARNING AND SUCCESS FOR EACH STUDENT BY PROVIDING A QUALITY EDUCATION.

AVID Update

Board of Education Meeting
March 9, 2016

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Purpose of Presentation

- Describe AVID's purpose and methods for improving college going rates.
- Outline why AVID is part of PUSD's LCAP.
- Report on AVID implementation and its impact on school culture.
- Share out next steps.

What is AVID?

- A schoolwide college readiness system
- A structured approach to rigorous curriculum
- Professional learning for educators
- Direct support structure for first-generation college students

The AVID Elective Student Profile

Has academic potential

- Average to high test scores
- 2.0–3.5 GPA
- College potential with support
- Desire and determination

What does AVID do?

- Develops critical readers and writers
- Develops deep content knowledge and critical thinking
- Develops habits, skills, and behaviors to use knowledge and abilities
- Improves student self-confidence
- Develops college and career awareness

What does the AVID Curriculum Consist of?

W.I.C.O.R. Strategies

Writing

- Writing process (prewrite to final draft)
- Respond, revise
- Edit, final draft
- Cornell notes
- Quick Writes
- Learning logs, journals

Inquiry

- Skilled questioning
- Socratic Seminars
- Quick Writes/discussions
- Critical-thinking activities
- Writing questions
- Open-minded activities

Collaboration

- Group projects
- Response/edit/revision groups
- Collaboration activities
- Tutorials
- Study groups
- Jigsaw activities
- Read-Arounds

Organization

Tools

- Binders
- Calendars, planners, agendas
- Graphic organizers

Methods

- Focused note-taking system
- Tutorials, study groups
- Project planning, SMART goals

Reading

- SQ5R
(Survey, Question, Read, Record, Recite, Review, Reflect)
- KWL
(What I Know; What to Learn; Learned)
- Reciprocal Teaching
- Think-Alouds
- Text structure
- Critical reading

W.I.C.O.R. Strategies in Action: 5th Graders at Jackson engaged in Socratic Seminar



What is AVID Schoolwide?

- Use of W.I.C.O.R. strategies across all content areas.
- Teachers rotate in order to attend AVID Summer Institute for professional development.
- Goal to have schoolwide AVID implementation: 2018-19: Middle School

How AVID Works

- Accelerates under-achieving students who have potential into more rigorous courses
- Develops a sense of hope and personal achievement gained through hard work and determination
- Provides intensive academic support with in-class college tutors twice per week at a 7 to 1 ratio

What is AVID Certification?

- The AVID Certification program provides an opportunity for sites to be recognized for AVID program implementation and success. The certification process includes an AVID Certification Report and Self Study Continuum to determine areas of strength and to identify next steps in a continued effort to fulfill the mission of AVID.
- There are four designations awarded in the certification program: affiliate, non-certified, certified, and demonstration.
- Jackson School is up for Level 3 certification in May, 2016. All 11 AVID Essentials are implemented effectively and are rated Meets Certification Standards (Level 1) or higher.

PUSD's LCAP and AVID

LCAP Goal 2:
Create a College Going Culture

AVID implementation in all middle schools and Paramount High School-West Campus to increase the college going rate of target students.

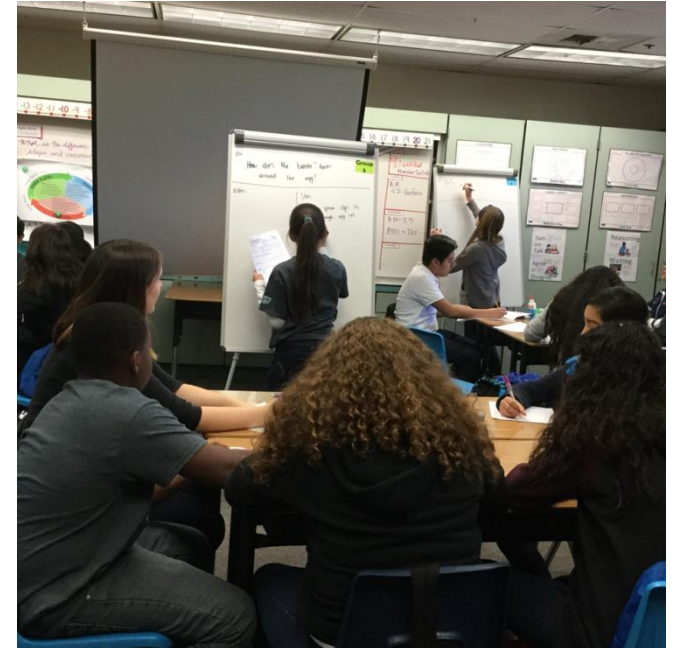
How Many Students are in AVID in PUSD?

	6 th Grade	7 th Grade	8 th Grade	9 th Grade	10 th Grade	Total
Schools	Jackson	Alondra Hollydale Jackson Paramount Park Zamboni	Jackson	PHS- West		
2014-15 (pilot year)			32	N/A	N/A	32
2015-16	31	155	24	65	N/A	275

What is the Impact of AVID Implementation PUSD Students?

AVID students are learning:

- Organizational Skills
- Study Skills
- Public Speaking
- Goal Setting
- Critical Thinking Skills



Alondra School tutorial



PHS-West tutorial

AVID students serve as facilitators of the tutorial while the tutors assist in asking higher order questions.

7th Grade Zamboni Students Share...

- “AVID has helped me take better notes and be more organized.”
- “AVID has made helped me be more focused and have a mindset of going to college.”
- “I used to never study but now I do because I realized how important my grades are.”

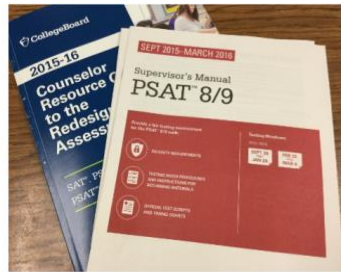


What is the Impact of AVID Implementation on School Culture?

- AVID sparks college awareness efforts on our campuses



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COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS



AVID Sparks College Awareness Efforts on our Campuses



College -themed door decorating contest at Jackson.



Thinking Maps and college awareness merge at Zamboni with bulletin board highlighting teacher college paths.

AVID Students Research Careers



Zamboni School Computer Lab



College Field Trips

School	College
Alondra	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CSU Dominguez Hills• UCLA/USC
Hollydale	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• UCLA• Cal State Long Beach
Jackson	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cal Poly Pomona• CSU Fullerton
Paramount Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CSU Fullerton
Zamboni	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CSULB• UCLA• San Diego State University
Paramount High School-West Campus	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CSU Dominguez Hills• UCLA• Cal Poly Pomona

Zamboni AVID students visit CSULB



Paramount Park Students Visit CSU Fullerton



Hollydale AVID Students Tour UCLA



AVID Expansion in 2016-18

School	Current Grades	2016-17 Grades	2017-18 Grades
Alondra	7	7-8	6-8
Hollydale	7	7-8	6-8
Jackson	6-8	6-8	6-8
Paramount Park	7	7-8	6-8
Zamboni	7	7-8	6-8
Paramount High School-West	9	9	9
Paramount High School	N/A	10	10-11

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*** Projected**

Next Steps

1. AVID Certification at Jackson (May, 2016).
2. 59 teachers, counselors, principals will attend AVID Summer Institute in Anaheim (June, 2016).
3. Work towards schoolwide implementation of AVID strategies.
4. Develop a plan to measure success using the following:
 - Satisfaction survey to stakeholders
 - Utilize Naviance to track A-G Completion rate, College admittance and attendance.

Questions



By June, 2016 these second year AVID students at PHS-West will have toured a total of seven college campuses.