



RIDGECREST INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

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Dear Families,



We are excited to introduce the implementation of the AVID program to all PVPUSD middle schools. AVID stands for Advancement Via Individual Determination, and is a curriculum- and tutorial-based program academically designed to prepare students for eligibility and admission to a four-year college or university. Participation in AVID is met through the student's elective course throughout middle school and high school.

The gains students receive through the AVID program are the skills necessary to challenge themselves in a more rigorous academic setting. The core component of the AVID elective is to teach study skills, note-taking strategies, time management practices, writing and research skills while being immersed in their general academic environment.

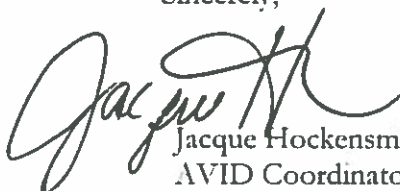
AVID recruits students who are motivated to perform well and have a desire for their academic future. We believe your child is an ideal candidate for the AVID program based on their GPA and state test results and has been selected to participate in the recruitment process.

The Application Process includes:


- February 2 – Informational meeting for students who are eligible for participation in AVID (Lunch time in the Ridgecrest Library – students only)
- February 16 – AVID Recruitment Parent Information Night (6:00pm in the Ridgecrest MPR – parents and students welcome)
- February 24 – Students turn in completed family information form and short answer form
- March 6 – Students participate student interviews

All information shared at our Family Information Night (2/16) will be used for recruitment and selection of AVID students and will be kept confidential. If you wish to share this information in person or have additional questions prior to receiving an application, please contact your child's school counselor, Heidi Shulman, at shulmanh@pvpusd.net.

Sincerely,


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