

The AVID Program

Belmont
Secondary School

Achievement Via Individual Determination



Curriculum

- Agenda Book Use
- Master Binder Organization
- Assignment Logs
- Tutorials
- Cornell Note-taking
- The Writing Process
- Learning Logs
- Test-taking Skills
- Research Techniques
- Listening Skills
- Reading Strategies
- Inquiry/Questioning Skills
- Study Techniques
- Personal and Educational Goal Setting
- Time Management
- Essay Writing
- Collaborative Group Work
- Career Awareness
- College/University Awareness
- Guest Speakers/Field Studies
- Oral Presentation Skills

78% of 2008 AVID graduates were accepted to university.*

Recruitment Process

- Read Brochure
- Ask Counselors/AVID Teachers (Boyte, 231 or Bendall, 235) for more info if needed
- Select AVID on Course Selection Form
- Application Review and Brief Interview to follow (conducted by Mr. Bendall)

What is AVID?

AVID is a program designed to prepare students in the academic middle for admission to post-secondary universities and colleges.

AVID students learn and develop skills to improve their academic success throughout their school careers.

Where else is AVID taught?

AVID is an international program, adopted by over 3,500 schools in 45 states as well as 15 countries through the US Department of Defense Dependent Schools. AVID has been taught in select BC schools for over 7 years and enters its fifth year at Belmont. Next year, **AVID 10, 11, & 12** will be offered.

What do students do?

Students learn study and organizational strategies, writing to learn skills, and probing-question development. As well, students get academic help from peers and college tutors, and participate in enrichment and motivational activities that make going to college seem realistic.

Student Profile

- 2.0 to 3.5 GPA (C to B+)—with a desire to do better
- appropriate classroom behaviour
- good attendance
- motivation to challenge him/herself
- demonstrated a consistent work ethic

Expectations

1. Maintain a C average (minimum).
2. Enroll in academically challenging courses.
3. Commit to one hour of homework 5 nights/week.
4. Attend classes regularly.

A Sample Week in the AVID Elective

Day 1: Monday/Tuesday	Day 2: Tuesday/Wednesday	Day 3: Thursday/Friday
<u>AVID Curriculum</u>	<u>Tutorials</u>	<u>AVID Curriculum/Misc.</u>
-Writing	-Collaborative Study Groups	-Binder Checks
-Reading		-Motivational Activities
-Organization	-Writing Groups	-Guest Speakers
-College & Careers		-Field Trips
-Strategies for Success	-Test Preparation	

Average Earnings by Level of Schooling
(2001 Census—Statistics Canada)

Less than high school graduation
\$21,230

High school graduation certificate
\$25,477

Trades Certificate/College Diploma
\$32,743

University Certificate, Diploma, or Degree
\$48,648

*http://www.avid.org/res_results.html