

## **AVID in the Worcester Public Schools**

### **Worcester Public Schools AVID District Office**

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### **AVID SCHOOL WIDE PILOT**

- \* Burncoat Middle School
- \* Dr. Arthur F. Sullivan Middle School

### **Middle Schools**

#### **Burncoat Middle School**

508-799-3390

#### **Forest Grove Middle School**

508-799-3420

#### **Dr. Arthur F. Sullivan Middle School**

508-799-3350

#### **Worcester East Middle School**

508-799-3430

### **High Schools**

#### **Burncoat High School**

508-799-3300

#### **Doherty Memorial High School**

508-799-3270

#### **North High School**

508-799-3370

#### **South High Community School**

508-799-3325

#### **Worcester Technical High School**

508-799-1980

### **AVID Elementary Schools**

#### **City View Discovery School**

508-799-3670

#### **Chandler Magnet School**

508-799-3452

#### **Columbus Park Preparatory School**

508-799-3490

#### **Goddard School of Science & Technology**

508-799-3594

#### **Nelson Place School**

508-799-3506

#### **Norrback Avenue School**

508-799-3500

#### **Quinsigamond School**

508-799-3502



*Worcester Public Schools*

*the*  
**AVID**  
*system*

A college readiness system for elementary through high school that is designed to increase school wide learning and performance with the intent being admission to a four-year college

AVID's mission is to close the achievement gap by preparing all students for college readiness and success in a global society



## What is AVID in the Worcester Public Schools?

### ~ AVID Secondary ~

AVID is a seventh through twelfth grade system to prepare students in the academic middle for four-year college eligibility. These are students who are capable of completing a college preparatory curriculum but are in need of support as they tackle the most rigorous classes that will guide them to a successful college career and beyond. The main components of AVID are academic instruction, college tutorial support, organizational skills and a focus on higher order thinking skills.

### ~ AVID Elementary ~

AVID Elementary instruction takes a systemic approach starting in grade six and working down to lower elementary classes.

Instructional strategies include:

- Focused Note-Taking
- Goal Setting
- Binder Organization
- Reading to Learn/Writing to Learn
- Cooperative Grouping
- Higher Order Thinking and Questioning Skills

### Students

AVID students are enrolled in their school's rigorous classes that include AP (Advance Placement), Honors, and college preparatory classes as well as an AVID Elective class that is taught by a trained AVID teacher.

### Faculty

The AVID system includes innovative teachers and site coordinators who are committed to serving the needs of AVID students. They work together to organize curriculum and rigorous activities that keep students engaged and challenged. The AVID faculty also works hand-in-hand with Worcester Public School colleagues to implement AVID strategies, to place students in college preparatory

curriculum and to work with counselors to guide students through the college application process.

### Tutors

Tutors are highly motivated college students who are an essential component to the success of the AVID Elective class. They help the AVID teacher facilitate student access to rigorous curriculum.

### Family

Families are a vital component to the success of the AVID student. They are invited to participate in AVID Family Workshops where the family can learn ways to support their student's academics. They are also encouraged to maintain regular contact with the AVID teacher.

### Community

College, universities and local businesses demonstrate their support of AVID in many academic ways. Local businesses support AVID through Family Awareness Nights, college field trips, classroom materials and financial commitments to AVID trainings. Local colleges and universities supply AVID with college tutors.

## AVID Quest for Success College Fair

### AVID Service Learning Projects



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