

AVID Student Application (1 of 4)

Dear Family,

The AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) Elective is a 9th through 12th grade component of the AVID Secondary System that prepares students for admission to a four-year college or university. Students take an AVID Elective course throughout high school that provides them with the skills needed to be successful in advancing academically with the ultimate goal of attending and graduating from college. For more than 30 years, AVID has been instrumental in preparing students for success in higher education.

The core component of the AVID Secondary System is the AVID Elective, which supports students as they challenge themselves in more rigorous classes. Students are taught study skills, note-taking, time management, writing skills, and research skills, while being immersed in a college-going culture. The class also includes tutoring sessions that are led by trained-tutors and provides support for success in the academically rigorous curriculum. Additionally, the AVID class provides access to information about colleges and universities through field trips, guest speakers, college tutors, scholarship opportunities, and college admission requirement information.

AVID recruits students who are motivated to do well and who are serious about their academic future. Based on grade point average and teacher recommendations, we feel that your child is an ideal candidate for the AVID Elective and has been selected to participate in the recruitment process. Please complete the application, family information, and short answers on the following pages to help us better know your child and family circumstances.

All information shared on this form will be used for recruitment and selection of AVID students and will be held confidential. If you would prefer to share this information in person or have additional questions prior to completing this form, please contact Jon Davidson via email at jdavids@lps.org or by phone at 402-436-1303. Please remove this page, keep it for your reference, and return the application by **December 18th, 2020**. To return the application electronically, email to Jon at jdavids@lps.org. To return it in-person, turn it in to the main office at your child's current school.

Sincerely,

Keri Applebee
Principal

Jon Davidson
AVID Site Coordinator

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STUDENT: Please complete the following application to be considered as a member of the AVID Elective. Please return your completed application to the main office. Final acceptance will be determined upon completion of an interview. *(Please print with blue or black ink.)*

Personal Data

Name: _____
Last First Student I.D. #

Address: _____
Number and Street Apt. # City Zip Code

Phone: _____ Parent or Guardian's Name: _____

Current Class Schedule: Complete schedule as it appears on transcript/report card or submit a transcript. If the class is an honors/AP/Diff class, please note.

Class	Teacher

Students who wish to be considered for the AVID Elective must return this form to the office at their current school by December 18th, 2020.

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Student Information

This information will assist us in identifying possible candidates who best fit the AVID profile. Please complete the following questionnaire. This information is confidential and will only be used by the AVID Site Team for placement.

1. Parent/Guardian's Highest Educational Level

- Did not graduate high school
- Graduated high school
- Completed some college
- Graduated two-year college
- Graduated four-year college
- Post-graduate education

2. Ethnic Background (Mark all that apply.)

- African American
- Hispanic/Latino
- American Indian/Alaska Native
- White/Non-Hispanic
- Asian
- Multi-Racial
- Pacific Islander
- Filipino
- Other: _____

3. Student's Gender

- Female
- Male
- Prefer not to Indicate

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Student's Name: _____ Student I.D. #: _____

Student Short Answer Questions

1. What do you like most about school? What do you like least about school? Explain.
2. What about AVID appeals to you? What makes you a strong candidate for the AVID Elective?
3. What is the biggest obstacle that you have ever had to overcome, and how did you do it?
4. What are your academic goals for the future?
5. Why do you believe that college is important? Will you be the first member of your family to go to college? If so, how does that make you feel?

To the best of my knowledge, all information provided in this application is correct. I support my child's interest in joining the AVID Elective in Lincoln Public Schools.

Student's Signature

Parent/Guardian's Signature

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Teacher Recommendation 1

LPS TEACHERS: This form can be completed on-line. Go to lps.org, keyword: B2YR

To the applicant:

Give this form to a current or recent teacher.

To the teacher:

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Profile of an AVID student:

- **2.0–3.5 GPA**
- **First-generation student in family to attend college**
- **Highly motivated**

As we prepare to interview candidates, we are gathering as much information as possible about prospective students. Please rate the student based on your perception of the student's ability to be successful in the AVID Elective.

Student Name: _____ Recommending Teacher: _____

	Never (0)	Sometimes (1)	Often (2)	Always (3)
Demonstrates motivation and tenacity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Willingness to work with others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Acceptable attendance and on time to class	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brings materials	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Seeks help when needed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Actively participates in class	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Practices good citizenship and classroom behavior	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Additional Notes:

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Teacher Recommendation 2

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