

January 20, 2016

## Dear Family,

The AVID Elective is a 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade component of the AVID Secondary System that prepares students in the academic middle for admission to a four-year college or university. Students take an AVID Elective course throughout secondary school years that provides them with the skills needed to be successful in advancing academically with the ultimate goal of attending 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 college students and provide 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 state test results, we feel that your student 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 page to help us better know your child and family circumstances. Candidates will be contacted for interviews tentatively scheduled for end of February; students selected for the AVID Elective will be notified before Spring Break.

## **Application Process:**

January 20st Launch Point - AVID Family Information Night

February 5<sup>th</sup> AVID Elective Application Due

February – March Student Interviews, Teacher Recommendation Forms Due

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 the Student Application, please contact our Counseling Office. Please remove this cover page, and keep it for your reference. **Please complete and return the attached application by February 5, 2016.** 

Sincerely,		
Principal	Site Coordinator	