AVID Recruitment 2017-2018

At La Cima Middle School, we are searching for 25-30 incoming 6th graders to make up our AVID class of 2024. In the hopes of creating the most engaging and successful AVID class, below follow the primary AVID student selection criteria:

**Students with Academic Potential and Motivation:**

* Average to High Test Scores
* 2.0-3.5 GPA
* College Potential with Support
* Desire and Determination
* First to Attend College
* Historically Underserved in 4-year Colleges
* Low Income
* Special Circumstances

**AVID is NOT an at-risk program. The AVID program presupposes high school graduation and university eligibility. Possible ways to begin recruitment are as follows:**

* Use the list of students qualifying for the free or reduced lunch program to identify low-income students.
* Look for students whose stanine scores in language are average (or low, as in the case of second language students) and whose stanine scores in math are average or above, indicating academic potential.
* For the most part, consider students who have “B” and “C” grades (ideal range 2.5 - 3.5).
* Identify students who may be the first in their family to attend college.
* Consider special circumstances that may be obstacles to student achievement.
* Look for students traditionally underserved in four-year colleges.

**Documentation to collect could look like:**

* Teacher recommendations
* Discipline reports
* Grade/test history
* Attendance records

Once identified, the attached AVID student application and written interview would ideally be completed by the student and family, and returned along with the school’s recommendation. Students may then be interviewed verbally to finalize the application process. Thank you.

APPLICATION FOR THE LA CIMA MIDDLE SCHOOL AVID PROGRAM

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|  | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (School Year) |
| Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Parent’s Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | Birth date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Address\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |
| Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Are you willing to take AVID all year as **ONE** of your electives? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |
| Do you and your parents understand that parent participation is an essential part of your success and the success of the program? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |
| Please read and sign the Terms of Agreement for Enrollment in AVID and submit with this application. For more information, please call **Mrs. Roodvoets** at **520-696-6755, or email at jroodvoets@amphi.com.** | |
| **I agree to enroll in the AVID class for the entire 8th grade academic year.** | |
| **I agree to take notes in all my core subject areas as required in AVID.** | |
| **I agree to keep my binder organized as required by AVID.** | |
| **I agree to maintain good attendance and be punctual for all my classes.** | |
| **I agree to participate fully in tutorials as required by AVID.** | |
| **I agree to participate in field trips, college visitation and other AVID activities.** | |
| **I agree to keep my parents fully informed of AVID program activities.** | |
| **I agree to complete all my assignments in all classes including AVID.** | |
| **I agree to ask for help, talk to my AVID teacher or counselor if necessary.** | |
| **I agree to keep a positive attitude and be enthusiastic about preparing for college.** | |
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| (Student’s Signature) (Parent’s signature) | |
| La Cima Middle School AVID Application Name: Grade: Date:  Please answer all questions with **complete sentences.**   1. Why do you want to join AVID?        1. What are your strengths and weaknesses in school?        1. How do you make sure that you use your time in class productively?        1. How do you react if you have difficulty with a subject?        1. How well can you work individually as well as with others?        1. Why do you want to go to college?        1. In what subject areas do you think you might like to major in college and/or following college?        1. What kind of special help do you think you might need in the AVID program?       **Please check the boxes that apply to you.**  I mostly get Bs and Cs I have missed less than 10 days of school this year I have desire and determination  I would be the first person in my family to go to college I live in a single parent household | |
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Possible AVID Interview Questions

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1. Give an example of a time when you had to sacrifice
2. What does a person have to do in order for you to "trust" him/her?
3. What if you were faced with a situation where you were unhappy with the grades you received in your classes. How would you keep yourself on a positive note?
4. Give an example of something you had to work hard at to improve.
5. If you had a poor grade in a class, what steps would you take to improve?
6. How do you feel about stepping out of your comfort zone?
7. What does a person have to do to gain your trust?
8. Where do you see yourself in 10 years?
9. Define perseverance. How is it applied to your life?
10. Give an example of when you took direction from someone else.
11. What does it mean to "discipline yourself'?
12. How, specifically, would you stay dedicated to AVID?
13. Give an example of a time when you had to sacrifice something for

your education or future goals?

1. Would you respect a teacher who you didn't think respected you? Explain.
2. How do you feel about learning about different cultures?
3. How would you approach a teacher that you don't get along with about your grade?
4. How do you feel about school? Why?
5. Have you ever been in charge of a group of any kind?
6. Do you accept criticism for the most part or do you get angry easily?
7. Do you blame others or make excuses for your actions?
8. When you get involved in something, do you stick to it?
9. Do you read advanced-level books in your spare time?
10. What actions would you take to stay dedicated to the program?
11. Are you optimistic? When you graduate, do you see it as the end or beginning of your

educational career?

1. How will you react to a class where you know no one and you need help with a class?
2. What is your purpose in life? Where do you see yourself in 10 years?