



Principal
Mr. Larry Whitehead

Dear **AVID** Candidate,

You are a prime candidate to be an **AVID** student! You are invited to be a part of the **AVID** program at Klein High School for the 2008-2009 school year. **AVID** stands for **A**dvancement **V**ia **I**ndividual **D**etermination and is an elective class designed to transform good students into great students!

Do you want to enrich your advanced academic repertoire?

Participation in **AVID** increases students ability to:

- ⇒ keep their school work organized
- ⇒ use Cornell notes
- ⇒ collaborate in higher order instructional activities

Do you want time during the school day to support your advanced academic courses?

If you are a part of the **AVID** program, in addition to your other six courses, you will be enrolled in an elective **AVID** class. During the **AVID** elective class students will:

- ⇒ increase study habits for success in high school and college
- ⇒ go on field trips to visit college campuses and area businesses
- ⇒ have in-class tutorial groups twice a week facilitated by college tutors

Do you want to increase your college-bound opportunities?

The goal of the **AVID** program is to prepare you for admission to a four-year college or university after graduation from high school! **AVID** is for students who want to go to college and are willing to work hard to get there. The **AVID** elective class helps prepare students for college entrance exams like the PSAT, SAT and ACT. All **AVID** students must enroll in one or more core PreAP classes (English, Social Studies, Math, Science).

You can get additional information on the program by going to www.kleinbearcats.org/avid, www.avidonline.org, or www.aisd.net/bowie/main_pages/AVID.htm.

How do you join AVID?

To become an **AVID** student:

1. Your parent(s) must give permission for you to be enrolled in the **AVID** elective class.
2. Fill out the application with your parent(s). Both you and your parent(s) need to sign the form and turn the completed application in to your current counselor by Wednesday, March 26, 2008.
3. Ask two different teachers to complete the teacher recommendation form and have them return it to your current counselor by Wednesday, March 26, 2008.
4. Complete the interview process with the **AVID** staff beginning the week of March 31, 2008.
5. Meet with your current counselor and select one or more PreAP classes. All **AVID** students must enroll in one or more PreAP core classes (English, Math, Social Studies, Science).

If you or your parent(s) have any questions in the meantime, you may speak with your counselor, your principal, or the Klein **AVID** Coordinator, Sally DeWeese @ sdeweese@kleinisd.net or 832-484-4180 or the Klein **AVID** Counselor, Traci Hageland @ thageland@kleinisd.net or 832-484-4036.

Be a part of Klein High AVID!

Sincerely,

Tia Simmons
Klein High School
AVID Administrator
832-484-4097
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***If you are not interested in this program, please return this packet to your counselor with both your and your parent's signature.**

Student's Signature

ID#

Parent's Signature



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Dear **AVID** Candidate,

Congratulations on your invitation to become a part of the **AVID** program at Klein High School for the 2008-2009 school year! We are looking forward to an opportunity to help you prepare for educational success.

If you are ready to apply, you will just need to follow these easy steps:

- STEP 1:** Fill out the **AVID** application. (Make sure both you and your parent(s) sign the application.)
- STEP 2:** Fill out the written interview questions form. (Make a copy for yourself.)
- STEP 3:** Give two (2) teachers a recommendation form to complete. (Your teacher will turn the form in to your current counselor.)
- STEP 4:** Turn in both the **AVID** application and the written interview questions to your current counselor by Tuesday, April 15, 2008.
- STEP 5:** Prepare for your individual interview. (Re-read the copy of your answers to the written interview questions.) Individual interviews with the **AVID** team will be held on your campus in early May.
- STEP 6:** Meet with your counselor and select one or more PreAP courses.

Good Luck!



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AVID

Solicitud de **Avance de Via Determinación Individual** del año 2008-2009

Nombre del estudiante
(letra de molde)

Apellido

Nombre

Nombre del padre/tutor
(letra de molde)

Apellido

Nombre

Dirección

Dirección

Ciudad

Zip

Número de teléfono

Tamaño de camiseta
(sólo de adultos)

Escuela a la que
asiste actualmente

Consejera

Nivel de mayor de educación de los padres
(Marca una por cada padre/madre)

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Universidad / Colegio / Escuela Técnica

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Maestría

Doctorado

Como padre o tutor del estudiante usted necesitará ayudarlo dedicando el tiempo y esfuerzo necesario para realizar su sueño de asistir a la universidad y también necesitará ser partidario de su éxito académico. ¿Podrá usted asistir a una junta para obtener información sobre el programa **AVID**? ¿Se asegurará que su hijo/a estudie de 1-2 horas después de la escuela y que mantenga organizados sus cuadernos y tareas?

Sí

No

Firma de Padre/Tutor

Los estudiantes de **AVID** deberán tener buenas notas, esforzarse mucho en los estudios, y ser estudiantes modelos. Por eso mismo, ellos no pueden tener problemas de comportamiento. ¿Podrás tú cumplir con estos requisitos?

Sí

No

Firma de Estudiante

**Favor de entregarle a la consejera esta información, con dos recomendaciones completas,
antes del miércoles, 26 de Marzo del 2008**



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AVID Written Interview

Name _____ ID# _____
Last First

School _____

What To Do

1. Answer the following questions in complete sentences.
2. Write a rough draft first, then write on the final copy.
3. Write in ink.

Interview Questions

What makes you want to be a part of **AVID**? What do you feel **AVID** can do for you? What can you contribute to the other students in the program?

What are your strengths as a student? What do you need to improve and to become the student you would like to be?

What makes you want to be a part of **AVID**? What do you feel **AVID** can do for you? What can you contribute to the other students in the program?

What are your plans for the future? If they include college, why do you want to go to college?

Does your family support your desire to go to college? Has any person in your family ever gone to college?

Give an example from your life of something you have had to work hard for or that challenged you. What did you learn from that experience?

In **AVID** you will be expected to study more and take harder classes. What type of activities are you willing to do to assure your success?

**Please return this form with the completed application
to your counselor by Wednesday, March 26, 2008**



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Teacher Recommendation for the Klein High School AVID Program

Student's Name _____ Student ID# _____
Last First

Teacher's Name _____ School _____

I have known this student for _____ year(s) as his/her _____.

Please rate this student on a scale of 1-5 in the following categories:

- 5 = excellent
- 4 = very good
- 3 = average
- 2 = some difficulty
- 1 = not a strength

General Behavior	_____	School Attendance	_____
Organizational Skills	_____	Internal Motivation	_____
Turning in Work on Time	_____	Writing Skills	_____
Willingness to Accept Support	_____	Ability to Work with Other Students	_____
Ability to do Honor Work	_____	Ability to do Honor Work with Extra Support	_____

Comments

Please return this completed form to the student's current counselor by Wednesday, March 26, 2008.