**ADVANCEMENT VIA INDIVIDUAL DETERMINATION (AVID)**

**What is AVID?**

**AVID is a program structured on the belief that students succeed based on their own determination and hard work. AVID is an elective course for students who earn average to above average grades who may need or want extra support with study skills, organization, and getting ready for college. The goal of the AVID class is to support each student in his/her academic classes and to help guide him/her successfully through a college preparatory path. A major goal of the AVID student is to be accepted into and succeed at a four-year college or university.**

**This college prep elective class is by invitation only. Students learn how to be proactive in all of their classes, advocate for themselves, take focused notes, stay organized, set goals, work together in collaborative study groups, participate in team-building activities, and do close-reading strategies. There are high levels of accountability as students tabulate their GPAs and set goals each quarter. We like to take field trips to local colleges each semester (i.e., UC Berkeley, SJSU, SFSU, St. Mary's, UC Davis, USF)**

**Why have I been invited to apply?**

**Because we hear that you are a motivated student with great potential! You are already doing well in school, and your grades, test scores, and teacher/counselor feedback indicate that you have the potential and desire to do even better.**