

Advancement
Via Individual
Determination



Dear Student and Parent,

I am very excited to tell you about AVID at East Lake High School!

AVID is a program designed to provide academic instruction and support that will prepare students for eligibility *and success* at four year colleges and universities.

Students learn organization, study skills, note taking, reading and writing strategies, collaboration and critical thinking. They are tutored in class every week by college students, and participate in many enrichment and motivational activities.

The AVID curriculum began in California over 25 years ago, and is now in over 1200 school internationally. Every high school in Pinellas County now has the AVID program. Developed and refined by teachers and administrators, the AVID instructional program focuses on the following methodologies:

- **W** --- Writing as a tool for learning
- **I** --- Inquiry (learning to ask probing questions)
- **C** --- Collaboration in learning groups
- **R** --- Reading as a tool for learning

If you feel you are a good candidate for the AVID program, fill out the attached application and return to either your Guidance Counselor or directly to me in room 4160. I would be happy to answer any questions via email at prairied@pcsb.org

Sincerely,



Mrs. Prairie

AVID Teacher/Coordinator

East Lake High School