

Stout Middle School AVID Syllabus 2017-18

Course Description:

The AVID class is designed to offer selected students an opportunity to learn the necessary skills and work habits that will enable them to perform quality work at a higher academic level. These students have been selected based on their work ethic and motivation to continue their education beyond high school. Students are encouraged (and expected) to collaborate with classmates during class tutorials, Socratic Seminars, and various class projects.

The goal of the AVID class is for it to be challenging and rigorous. It requires a commitment from the student and parental support to get the most out of the program. With these factors in place, the AVID class can be stimulating, engaging, and rewarding.

AVID Curriculum:

Many of the methods and curriculum employed in this class will assist students in meeting their academic goals. The areas that will be covered in class include:

Organizational Skills
Time & Goal Management
Study Skills
Inquiry
Collaboration

Self-assessment
Presentations
Strategies for Success
Test-taking Skills

College Exploration
Career Discovery
Socratic Seminar
Research Projects

Classroom Rules:

1. Be in your seat and prepared to work when the bell rings.
2. Listen to and follow all directions promptly.
3. Respect others and all property.
4. Be respectful of Class and School rules.

Interventions:

1. Warning
2. Hallway Talk
3. Referral
4. Parent Call
5. Removal from AVID Program

Materials:

Each student is required to bring the following materials on a daily basis:

3-ring Binder with Dividers	3-4 Highlighters
School Planner	2 or more Pencils
Notebook Paper (plenty)	2 or more Pens (blue or black)
Enclosed Pencil Sharpener	1-2 Dry Erase Markers
Package of Post-its	

Grading System:

Subject assignments, class work and homework, are given with the purpose of helping each student in the learning process. All assignments are to be completed and turned in on time. Late assignments will be accepted for a reduced credit. Turning in assignments in on time is a skill that shows time management and responsibility. Coming to class on time will also factor into each students grade as this shows responsibility and individual determination.

Grades are determined by a combination of performance on the above mentioned assignments:

A=90-100%, B=80-89%, C=70-79%, D=60-69%, E=59% & lower

AVID Elective Agreement

Please fill out the following information. Sign and return to Mr. Liggett no later than February 5th

By signing the following I agree to all expectations set in the syllabus

Student Name _____

Student Signature _____

Home Contact Information

Phone Number _____

Email _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____