Dear Families,

Advancement Via Individual Determination, AVID, is a seventh through twelfth grade program that prepares students in the academic middle for admission to a four-year college or university. Students take an AVID elective course throughout middle school and high school that provides them with the skills needed to be successful in advancing academically with the ultimate goal of attending college. For more than 38 years AVID has been instrumental in preparing students for success in higher education.

The core component of the AVID Program is the AVID elective, which supports students as they challenge themselves in more rigorous classes. Students are taught study skills, note taking, time management, writing and research skills, while being immersed in a college-going culture. The class also includes tutoring sessions that are led by college students and provide support for success in the academically rigorous curriculum. Additionally, the AVID class provides access to information about colleges and universities through fieldtrips, guest speakers, college tutors, scholarship opportunities and college admission requirement information.

AVID recruits students who are motivated to do well and who are serious about their academic future. Please complete the application, family information, and short answers on the following pages to help us better know your child and family circumstances.

Application process:

- **Students complete and turn in AVID application to your building AVID coordinator**
- **Students participate in student interviews**

All information shared on this form will be used for recruitment and selection of AVID students and will be held confidential. If you would prefer to share this information in person or have additional questions prior to completing this form, please contact your child’s counselor. Please remove this page and keep it for your reference and return the application.

Sincerely,

**AVID SITE COORDINATORS:**
Antioch – Dara Evans – dara.evans@nkcschools.org
Maple Park – Jim Scarrow – james.sarrow@nkcschools.org
New Mark – Brooke Hendry – brooke.hendry@nkcschools.org
Northgate – Amy Campbell – amy.campbell@nkcschools.org
**STUDENT:** This information identifies possible candidates who best fit the AVID profile. Please complete the following questionnaire. This information is confidential and will only be used by the AVID site team for placement. Please return your completed application to the Counselors Office. Final acceptance will be determined upon completion of an interview.

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**PERSONAL DATA:**

Name: ________________________________________  
First  Last (Please Print)  
Student ID#: ___________

6th Grade School Attended:  
- [ ] Gateway  
- [ ] Eastgate

Middle School Attended:  
- [ ] Antioch  
- [ ] Maple Park  
- [ ] New Mark  
- [ ] Northgate

Team: ____________________  
- [ ] Orchestra  
- [ ] Band

Phone: ____________________  
Parent/ Guardian’s Name: ____________________

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**STUDENT BACKGROUND:**

1. Parent/Guardian’s Highest Educational Level

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2. Ethnic Background (Mark all that apply.)

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3. Student gender  
- [ ] Female  
- [ ] Male

4. Supplemental Criteria: What other languages do you speak at home?
Please write a quality paragraph to answer the questions below

1. As related to school and your education, what do you feel are your strengths and weaknesses?

2. Why is a good education important to you? What goals do you have for yourself in high school, college, and career? How do you think AVID will help you to achieve these goals?

Extracurricular, Personal, and Volunteer Activities:
(Please list your main extracurricular, community, and family activities and hobbies in the order of their interest to you. Include specific events and/or major accomplishments such as musical instruments played and/or sports team participation, etc.

To the best of my knowledge, all information is provided on this form is correct. I support my child’s interest in joining the AVID program in the North Kansas City School District.

_______________________________________ __________________________
Student Signature Parent/ Guardian Signature