

AVID 9 ELECTIVE - Full Year – 5 Credits. Students receive instruction in college-entry skills and participate in tutor-led study groups and motivational activities. The course stresses the importance of higher-order thinking, notebook organization, specific note taking, study skills, the writing process, goal setting, critical reading, and study habits. The focus is primarily on developing the knowledge, skills, and attitudes needed to succeed in rigorous high school courses.

AVID 10 ELECTIVE - Full Year – 5 Credits. The course continues to stress the importance of succeeding in a rigorous high school or college-level course and continues to provide instruction in college-entry skills and tutor-led study groups. Emphasis is on developing writing skills necessary for success in honors and AP courses, the PSAT, and in college.

AVID 11 ELECTIVE - Full Year – 5 Credits. In the junior year, the focus is on readiness for college testing and selection. Students should have been introduced to all of these ideas previously, but now the spotlight is on serious preparation in these areas. In particular, document-gathering for the impending college and financial aid application process must receive much attention here: copies of parents' tax forms for the year preceding the senior year, letters of recommendation, copies of transcripts, lists (resumes) of accomplishments and awards must be scrutinized and gathered for ease of use in the Fall. Additionally, students will continue to develop the skills acquired in the freshman and sophomore years,

specifically binder organization, test taking, and tutorials.

AVID 12 ELECTIVE - Full Year – 5 Credits. In the senior year, students must be very focused and must stay on top of deadlines and requirements. The need for calendars and planners to be up-to-date and specific must be especially emphasized at this time. Students will also work on scholarship writing and college level writing assignments. From March on, students generally need lots of time and opportunity to discover and plan for attending college, selecting courses, finding support services on campus, and (perhaps) living on their own.