Community. Respect. Education. Equity. Diversity

# Madison High School

Mission: At Madison, all students will access an engaging and inclusive education defined by diversity and respect. All students will graduate from high school empowered with critical skills necessary for success in higher education, career, and community engagement.

## **September AVID Newsletter**

AVID's mission is to **close the achievement gap** by preparing all students for **college readiness** and **success** in a global society.

### **Important News in AVID Classes**

#### 9<sup>th</sup> Grade

Our freshmen students are off to a great start! We have spent the last two weeks getting to know each other and going over some AVID basics. Moving forward in September, we will doing deep-dives into AVID essentials like tutorials, note-taking, and organizational skills. AVID 9 students should hopefully be prepared for weekly binder-checks starting on September 20th and weekly tutorials starting some time in October. Also in September, we will begin contemplating our essential question for the first semester, "Why is education important to my life?" using a variety of WICOR activities. It should be a busy month, but this tenacious group of freshmen is up to the challenge.

Mike Irikawa

#### 10<sup>th</sup> Grade

AVID 10 is working on the 5 step Focused Note-taking Process.

- 1. Taking Notes
- 2. Processing Notes
- 3. Connecting thinking

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#### **Upcoming Events:**

September 11 – Back to School Night for parents.

September 25 – Margaret Atwood visits Madison's library.

October 16 – PSAT day for 10<sup>th</sup> graders.

October 17 – AVID Family Night.

#### Newsflash!

Did you know? Student grades tend to improve when students are involved in clubs/sports!

Madison has more than 23 clubs on campus!

12<sup>th</sup> grade parents need to dig out 2018 taxes for the FAFSA/ORSAA. Students can apply as of October 1, 2019.

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- 4. Summarizing and Reflecting on Learning
- 5. Applying Learning

We worked hard last year getting comfortable with taking notes. Our goal for this month is to connect, reflect, and apply the notes.

Misty Koenig

Madison High School Advanced Math/AVID

#### 11<sup>th</sup> Grade

In AVID 11, we are reviewing the skills we need to be successful in our rigorous junior year classes. We will be setting our goals for the year and forming study groups to help hold each other accountable.

#### 12<sup>th</sup> Grade

All of the hard work has paid off and Senior AVID is busy starting college applications! Our goal is to complete all college applications by Oct. 31. This means students are gathering important documents and information, such as test scores, to include in their applications. As an AVID family we continue to support each other with some of the fears and anxieties that come with making big life plans. We are excited to see where this year will take us!

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