



## A DIFFERENT APPROACH TO TEACHING AND LEARNING

AVID teachers are specially trained in innovative approaches to education, such as WICOR (Writing, Inquiry, Collaboration, Organization, and Reading), reciprocal teaching, Socratic Seminar, focused note-taking, and Cornell note-taking.

## AVID ELECTIVE TEACHERS AND SCHOOL COUNSELORS

Class of 2025: Ms. Maria Dalton & Ms. Caryn Graf  
Class of 2026: Mr. Tim Mein & Mr. Nicholas Pelosi  
Class of 2027: Ms. Kara Hilla & Ms. Heather McDonald  
Class of 2028: Ms. Kaitlyn Penkalski & Ms. Eleta Milovic

## THE APPLICATION PROCESS

Students must submit their 7th and 8th grade report card, standardized test scores, a writing sample and participate in a personal interview to be considered for admission. Students will be considered based on the AVID guidelines and any special circumstances. AVID students are often in the academic middle, believing that they could take more challenging courses if they have help and support from their teachers.

## MORRIS HILLS HIGH SCHOOL

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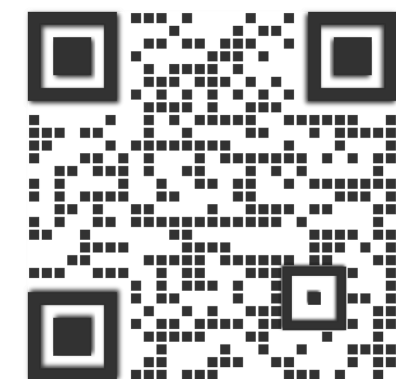
# AVID

*for Possibility*

**MORRIS HILLS  
REGIONAL DISTRICT**

## ADVANCEMENT VIA INDIVIDUAL DETERMINATION

The mission of AVID is to close the achievement gap by preparing all students for readiness and success in a global society.





## WHAT IS AVID?

AVID is a nationwide, four-year program that is designed to help students in the academic middle prepare for and succeed in high school and college. With individual support by trained faculty, students will pursue a challenging and rigorous curriculum while investigating careers and colleges, learning more effective study strategies, and working collaboratively with like-minded peers.

The AVID approach is based on rigor and high expectations; however, the core component of the program is the AVID Elective, which lends support to students as they tackle the school's most rigorous classes.



## STUDENT SELECTION

Students must be admitted to the AVID program to participate. The most critical factor to being successful in AVID is the student's motivation and willingness to work hard in a supportive and nurturing environment. Above all, they want to be successful and are willing to work hard to get there.

AVID students may be, but are not required to be, the first in their family to go to college.

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## THE AVID ELECTIVE

The AVID Elective is the centerpiece of the AVID program. Students take the Elective for credit for all four years of high school. They meet with their teachers to learn study skills and strategies, explore colleges and careers based on their interests, go on field trips to enhance their educational program, complete the FAFSA, apply for scholarships and grants, and work with specially trained tutors to prepare for life after high school.

The AVID Elective is a required component of the program. Over the course of four years, students will work with their AVID Elective teacher and specially trained tutors to develop independent study skills, questioning techniques, and career awareness.

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