

## What does AVID look like in the classroom?

- Organization
- Collaboration
- Critical thinking
- Inquiry
- Growth mindset
- Note taking
- Goal setting

## AVID Binders

Organization is a key component of AVID. In order to be successful a student needs to be organized. Below is the Encinal AVID binder checklists.

- Pencil Pouch
- ◆ **1st/2nd** - 2 sharpened pencils, 1 eraser, 1 highlighter
- ◆ **3rd-8th** - 2 sharpened pencils, 2 pens, 2 highlighters, 1 eraser, 1 dry erase marker
- Agenda
- Binder Checklist/AVID pages
- Lined Paper (3rd-8th)
- Math tab
- ELA tab
- Social Studies tab (3rd-8th)
- Science tab (3rd-8th)
- Parent tab (1st/2nd)
- Other tab (1st/2nd)
- Encinal Parent/Student Handbook

Encinal has been AVID certified since the 2016-2017 school year and was awarded the prestigious 2020 AVID Teacher Advocacy Award. We have held numerous AVID showcases for other small schools in the AVID Western region. In June 2022, two 4th-grade students from Encinal were selected out of numerous applicants by the Capital Metropolitan Area AVID team to speak at the AVID Path to Schoolwide training at the Sacramento Convention Center.



## ENCINAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

### WE ARE AVID!

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



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## AVID AT A GLANCE for Parents & Families

### What is AVID?

AVID, Advancement Via Individual Determination, helps schools and teachers make learning more meaningful and engaging. Research tells us that the most powerful influence on academic achievement is a caring teacher. When students care and connect to both their learning and their teacher, they will succeed!

### AVID for Elementary Schools

Putting future leaders on an early path to success in school

AVID Elementary engages young learners and provides them with the critical skills to become confident, independent thinkers who have a thirst for learning. Teachers use AVID strategies to provide students with:

- Proven ways to succeed in school
- **Writing to learn**, **Inquiry**, **Collaboration**, **Organization**, and **Reading to learn**
- Note-taking and time management skills
- Best ways to work together inside and outside of the classroom

At Encinal Elementary, we prioritize the use of WICOR strategies to enhance teaching and learning across all grade levels. WICOR, an acronym for Writing, Inquiry, Collaboration, Organization, and Reading, is seamlessly integrated into the curriculum from Transitional Kindergarten through Eighth Grade. These strategies are a core component of the AVID Instructional Framework, which we implement school-wide to foster academic excellence, critical thinking, and student engagement. At Encinal, we believe in empowering our students with the skills they need to thrive both in and out of the classroom.

**WICOR:** The framework for AVID Elementary Lessons

**Writing to Learn:**  
Writing to learn with clear thinking

**Inquiry:**  
Inquiry engages students with their own thinking process.

**Collaboration:**  
Collaboration brings personal responsibility and respect in the classroom and to classroom discussions.

**Organization:**  
Organization, both physically and mentally on the part of the student and teacher, creates active learning.

**Reading to Learn:**  
Reading to learn with increased content literacy, handling increasingly more difficult text and tasks.

## AVID Student Expectations

Students in 1st-8th grade are expected to have their AVID binder organized according to the Encinal AVID Binder Checklist, which is located in their binder. They should bring their AVID binder to school and home everyday. Agendas should be signed nightly by an adult who reviews with the student what they did that day and the assignments, tests, projects, or quizzes that they may have coming up. Binder checks are performed informally throughout the year and formally a few times a year. Students in TK-K are provided with a folder that should be brought to and from school daily. Students should be showing a parent/guardian daily the important information in their folders and signing the student's agenda.

