



**Topic:** 9<sup>th</sup> Grade AVID Elective Course Syllabus- Mrs. Tolman  
**Essential Question:** How will the AVID Elective help me succeed in high school and prepare me for a four-year college?

QUESTIONS	NOTES
How do I <b>contact</b> Mrs. Tolman?	<p><b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:Interan@bisd.us">Interan@bisd.us</a> <b>Phone:</b> (956) 698-2248 <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.TaughtbyTolman.com">www.TaughtbyTolman.com</a>  <b>Remind.com:</b> <a href="#">Students @rechsavid to 81010</a>            Parents text <a href="#">@mrsltolman to 81010</a></p> <p>The best way to contact Mrs. Tolman is by e-mail. AVID encourages &amp; requires parental involvement as much as possible. Please feel free to contact me any time, about anything.</p>
Can you explain the <b>goals</b> and <b>expectations</b> of the AVID Elective Class?	<p>AVID is a college readiness program that prepares students for eligibility to a four year college or university. The class supports students as they conquer a rigorous and advanced course load. Strategies implemented in the AVID elective include reading and writing strategies, organizational skills, Cornell Notes, inquiry-based activities, reflective writing and learning logs, collaborative and teambuilding activities, and the AVID Tutorial.</p>
What is the list of <b>supplies</b> required to bring to AVID <u>ALL times</u> ?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Composition Notebook</li> <li>2) (2) No. 2 pencils</li> <li>3) (2) Pens</li> <li>4) Highlighters</li> <li>5) Planner</li> </ol>
What are the <b>expectations</b> for this class?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Be on time</li> <li>*Respect yourself and others</li> <li>*Monitor your progress in all classes, and be proactive about your performance. All class work should be turned in on time, and should reflect your <u>absolute best effort!</u></li> </ul>
What are the <b>disciplinary choices</b> for not meeting AVID expectations?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Warning</li> <li>*Referral</li> <li>*Parent/Guardian Contact</li> </ul>
How can I monitor my classroom performance?	<p>Students and parents should access Home Access Center multiple times per week in order to monitor student progress. Students will be monitoring their own progress as well, by using a form that will be utilized throughout the school year – be on the lookout – your signature is required!</p>
What makes AVID different from other classes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Must maintain a C in <u>ALL</u> classes (including electives) to remain in the program.</li> <li>*Participation in the AVID tutorial is <u>mandatory</u>.</li> </ul>
How will my graded work be weighted in my overall grade in AVID?	<p><b>Daily Work- 40% Includes, but is not limited to:</b>            AVID Digital Binder            Focused Notes/Learning Logs            Planners WICOR Strategies/Commentary</p> <p><b>Test- 60% Includes, but is not limited to:</b>            Tutorial Request Forms            Projects</p>
	<p><b>Late/ Make-up Policy:</b> A Late Work Submission option will be made available on TEAMS the 4<sup>th</sup> Week of every Six Weeks. Full credit will not be given, rather the scale grade maximum is a 70.</p> <p><b>Academic Dishonesty:</b> The penalty for cheating will be a zero for work involved and the student will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action in cheating offenses. More can be found on page 23 <a href="#">here</a>.</p>



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**Syllabus Signature Page**

Please take a few minutes to review this syllabus with your student and sign below.

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student's Class Period:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you have internet access at home on a device other than a cell phone?**  
Circle YES or NO

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Phone Number(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_