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Virginia Governor Honors AVID's 45-Year Legacy of Student Success

SAN DIEGO, CA — January 6, 2026 — AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) is proud to announce that Virginia Governor Glen Youngkin formally recognized AVID's "enduring dedication and impact on educational opportunity, student success, and postsecondary readiness across the nation and the Commonwealth."

Virginia holds a unique place in AVID's story as the first state on the East Coast to bring AVID to its classrooms. Today, AVID's impact in Virginia is stronger than ever:

- More than 15,000 Virginia students benefit from AVID's college- and career-readiness system.
- Over 100 AVID Elementary and Secondary sites, including four AVID National Demonstration Schools, showcase best practices in teaching and learning.
- More than 2,000 educators—teachers, administrators, and counselors—are AVID-trained to support student success.

The results speak for themselves. In 2025:

- 9 out of 10 AVID seniors in Virginia were college and career ready.
- 97% completed four years of rigorous coursework required for college admission.
- 92% planned to attend a two- or four-year college.
- Virginia AVID students maintained a 95% attendance rate, reflecting strong engagement and commitment.

More impact data is available [online](#).

About AVID

AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) is a national nonprofit that has been closing the opportunity gap in education for more than 45 years. Through evidence-based professional learning and schoolwide systems, AVID empowers educators to prepare all students for college, careers, and life. Since its founding, 3.65 million students have been enrolled in AVID Elective and AVID Elementary. An additional 7.08 million students have been impacted by AVID-trained

educators across subject areas. AVID is implemented in more than 7,400 K-12 schools across the United States, plus schools in Washington, D.C., the Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA), the U.S. Virgin Islands, Canada, and Australia, impacting millions of students annually. Learn more at www.avid.org.

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