AVID®
Advancement Via Individual Determination
College, Career, and Life

In 2026,

8 out of 10 AVID seniors in South Carolina were college- and career-ready.

How Do We Know?

AVID develops intentional readiness by exposing students to rigorous instruction and supporting them in exploring, preparing for, and navigating their chosen postsecondary pathways.

74% took at least one course of rigor.

95% completed the 4 years of rigorous coursework necessary for college admission.

84% submitted the FAFSA.

77% planned to attend either a 2- or 4-year college.

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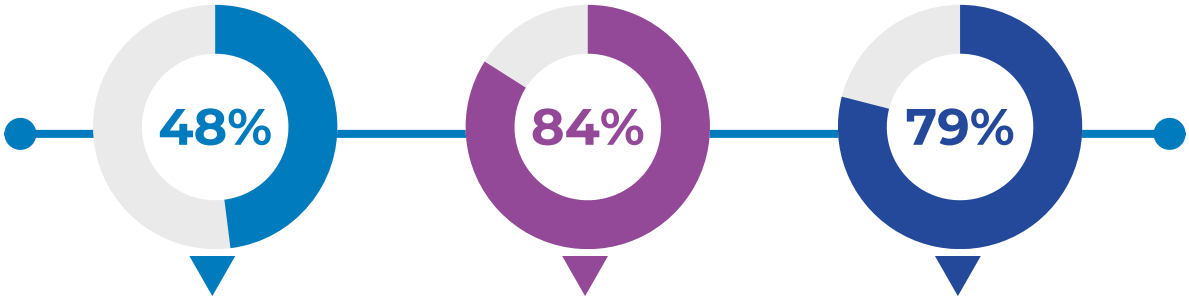
How Does This Happen?

AVID trains educators in inquiry-based instruction that develops student agency, academic success and critical thinking skills, and the ability to engage and collaborate with others.



SC AVID Seniors who Took at Least One AP Exam in High School
(State of SC = 28%)[1]

SC AVID Seniors who Submitted the FAFSA
(State of SC = 66%)[2]

SC AVID Seniors who Enrolled in College After High School
(State of SC = 54%)[3]

Relational Capacity Helps Students and Teachers

AVID-trained educators develop relational capacity among staff and students by ensuring that connections and interactions are built on **respect**, **trust**, and **authenticity**, creating a foundation for positive relationships and a sense of belonging that enhances engagement and productivity in learning environments.

AVID-Trained Teachers Have Higher Rates of Retention

Data from OR and AZ illustrate that schools retain AVID-trained teachers **at rates 4 to 9 percentage points higher**[4] than teachers who were not AVID-trained.

AVID Students Have Higher Attendance Rates

Years of data illustrate that AVID students have **attendance rates that are 1 to 2 percentage points higher**[5], on average, than schools' overall rates.

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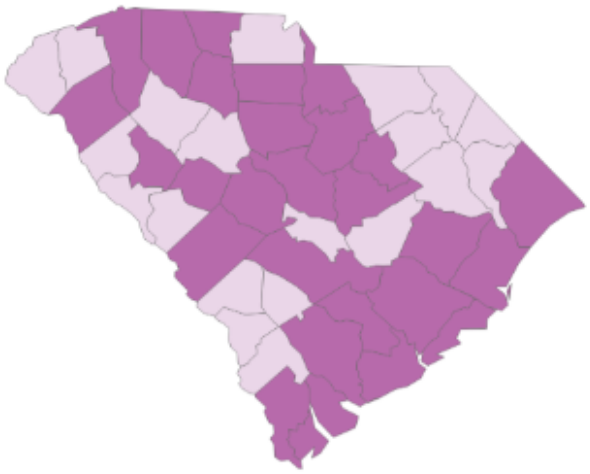
AVID is in Schools and Districts Across the State



31,000+
AVID Students

100+
AVID Elementary and Secondary Sites

3,000+
AVID-Trained Teachers, Administrators, and Counselors

4 of the 231
AVID National Demonstration Schools are in SC

96% of educators said they planned to implement strategies learned in their AVID professional learning.[6]

AVID is a national nonprofit that has been closing the opportunity gap in education for more than 45 years. Since its founding, 3.65 million students have been enrolled in the AVID Elective and AVID Elementary, with an additional 7 million taught by AVID-trained educators across subject areas. AVID is implemented in nearly 7,000 K–12 schools across the United States, plus schools in Washington, D.C., the Department of War Education Activity (DoWEA), the U.S. Virgin Islands, Canada, and Australia.

Data Sources Represent the Most Recent Data Available as of October 2026:

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