



Advancement Via Individual Determination

College, Career, and Life

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.

In 2025,

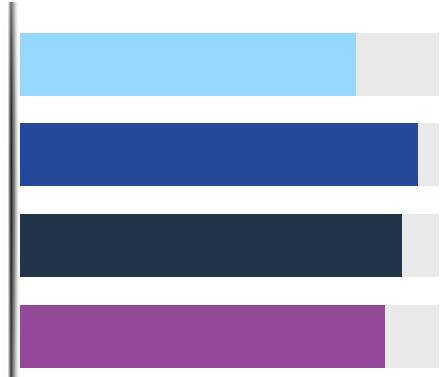
9 out of 10 AVID seniors in Illinois were college- and career-ready.

80% took at least one course of rigor.

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

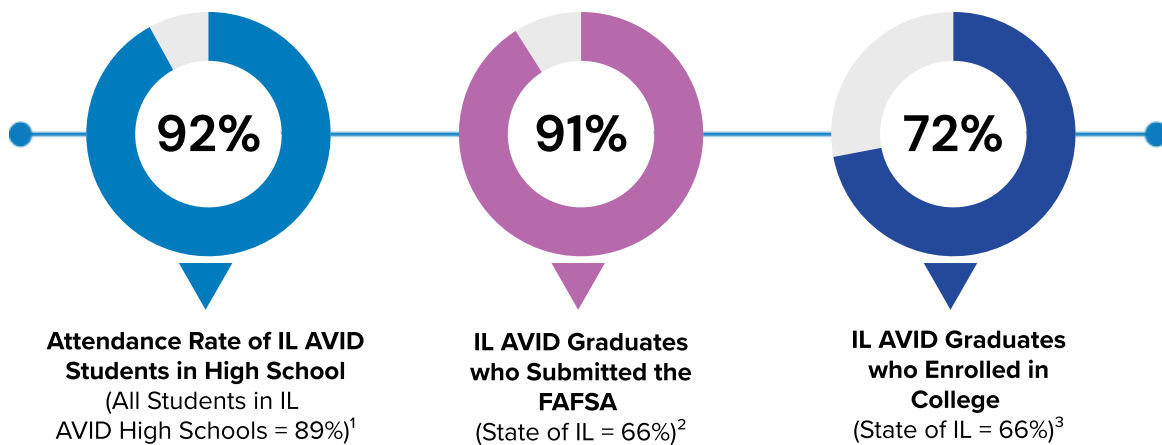
91% submitted the FAFSA.

87% planned to attend either a 2- or 4-year college.



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.



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

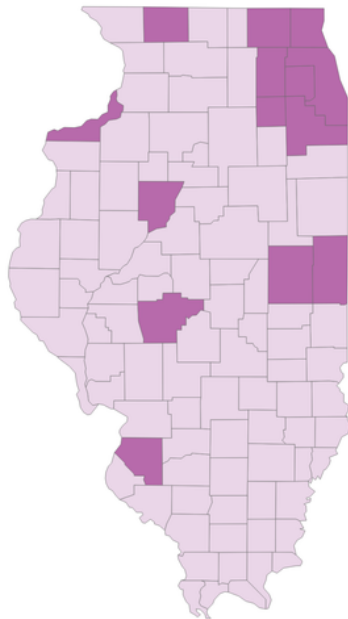
Data from OR and AZ illustrate that schools retain AVID-trained teachers **at rates 4 to 9 percentage points higher**⁴ than teachers who were not AVID-trained.

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.

AVID Is in Schools and Districts Across the State

- AVID Is Present
- AVID Is Not Present



Over 90% of educators said AVID professional learning was more engaging, inspiring, and actionable.⁶



32,000+
IL AVID Students



150+
IL AVID Elementary
and Secondary Sites



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



4 of the 207
AVID National Demonstration
Schools are in Illinois

AVID is an educational nonprofit celebrating 45 years of transforming education, starting with the first AVID class in 1980. 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.

Data Sources Represent the Most Recent Data Available as of October 2025:

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