

# Data Points

Student achievement and education trend analysis from Boise School District  
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## AVID Update - Student Success!

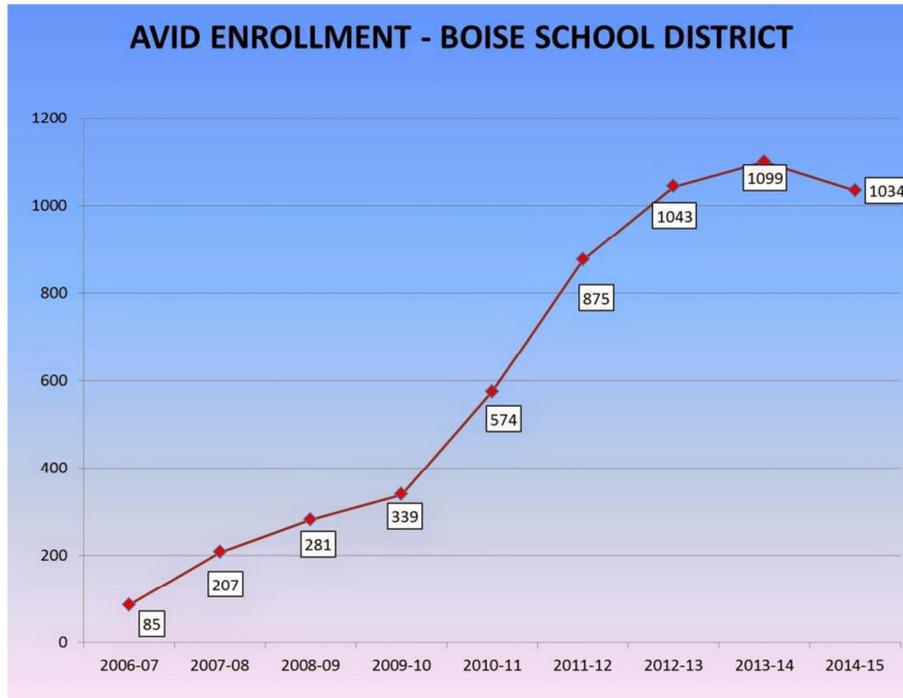
The Boise District's Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) program is in its ninth year. From its inception with 85 students at Fairmont Junior High School in 2006-07 to its current status with 1034 students in grade 7-12 across the district, AVID has been a tremendous success.

For readers unfamiliar with the program, here's a brief summary of AVID:

### AVID IN THE BOISE SCHOOLS

- Advancement Via Individual Determination
- Goals
  - Identify Students with Potential (5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade)
  - Provide Organizational, Study Skills and Belief in College Attendance
  - Placement in Accelerated Programs in Math and English (7<sup>th</sup> grade)
  - AVID Elective
  - Enrollment in Advanced Placement class in 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grades
  - Goals – Enrollment and success in college or university coursework

AVID enrollment has climbed steadily as the program has expanded to all eight junior high schools and the five District high schools. In 2014-15, we see the student population stabilize as all high schools have implemented the program.



The most important goal of the AVID program is that students attend college and are successful. We use National Student Clearinghouse data to verify that AVID students are going on to post-secondary pursuits. Starting with the first AVID graduating class from Capital High School in 2011, here are the statistics for each successive AVID graduating class:

## AVID College Information

**HS Class of 2011**

- 15 AVID high school graduates
- 13 direct entry to college (87%)
- 12 entered year 2 (80%)
- 12 entered year 3 (80%)
- 11 entered year 4 (73%)

**District Average Direct Entry Class of 2011 – 55%**

Eleven of the 15 high school graduates in that first AVID class are still in college. Four are attending BSU, 2 are at ISU, and once each is attending UI, NNU, CWI, Spokane Falls Community College, and Blue Mountain Community College (OR).

The class of 2012 started out strong, with 90% of its 39 members entering college the semester after graduation, compared with the District average of 59%. In year 3, 54% of the class members are still attending colleges and universities.

## AVID College Information

### HS Class of 2012

39 AVID high school graduates  
35 direct entry to college (90%)  
31 in college year 2 (79%)  
21 in college year 3 (54%)

District Average Direct Entry Class of 2012 – 59%

Class of 2012 AVID graduates are attending Idaho (4), BSU (6), ISU (2), C of I (5), CWI (1), Austin (TX) CC (1), Pepperdine University (1), and Grand Canyon University (1).

The class of 2013 saw expanded numbers as Borah and Capital combined had 68 AVID graduates. 47 of those graduates (69%) are in their sophomore year of college.

## AVID College Information

### HS Class of 2013

68 AVID high school graduates  
55 direct entry to college (81 %)  
47 entered year 2 of college (69%)

District Direct Entry Percentage Class of 2013 –  
61%

Class of 2013 AVID students are attending the following colleges: BSU (15), Idaho (6), CWI (12), College of Idaho (4), and one each at the University of Utah, Baylor University, Seattle University, Graceland (IA) College, Carrington College, Stevens-Henager College, Eastern Oregon University, Northern Arizona University, Prince George's (MD) CC and ISU.

## AVID College Information

### HS Class of 2014

56 AVID high school graduates  
44 direct entry to college (79 %)

District Direct Entry Percentage Class of 2014 –  
57%

Eighteen (18) of the 2014 grads are attending BSU, 8 are at Idaho, 7 at CWI, 3 at ISU, and one each are attending Oregon State University, Hawaii Pacific University, Brigham Young University, Eastern Oregon University, Whittier College (CA), Willamette University (OR), LCSC, and University of Nevada-Reno.

All told, 178 students from the AVID program have graduated from Boise Schools, and 147 (83%) entered college the first semester after graduation. Sixty-nine percent (69%) of AVID high school graduates are still attending college, pursuing their dreams of a degree.