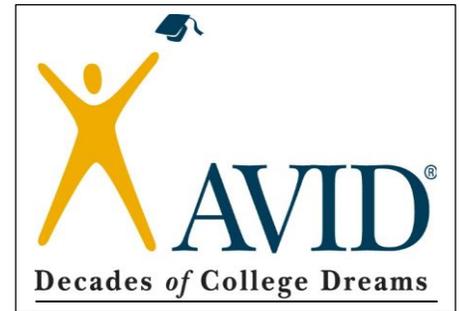


# DUMBARTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

## What is the difference between AVID and Effective College and Career Readiness?

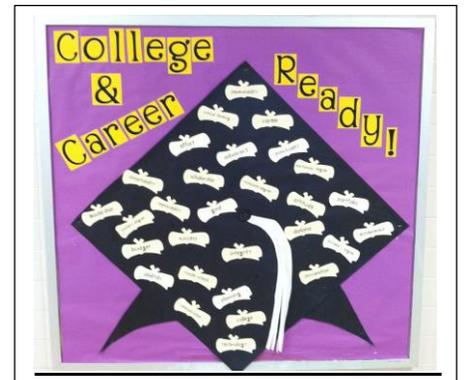
### AVID

This course develops learning, study and academic behavioral skills that are essential to success in rigorous coursework. In the AVID Elective class, students receive instruction and support to prepare them for college from a trained AVID Elective teacher. Students are exposed to strategies such as writing to learn, inquiry, collaboration, organizational skills, and critical reading (WICOR). Students must meet specific criteria and go through an interview process to take this course.



### Effective learning for College and Career Readiness (ECCR):

The course is designed to teach students learning habits and strategies that will help them be successful students in middle school, high school, and college and career. Those habits and strategies are taught through the year-long process of students working as a team to create a company and associated product. At the beginning of the course, students will perform activities that will help become self-aware personally and academically. DMS offers different ECCR courses in grade 7 and in grade 8. Any student may sign up to take this elective course.



### **What course(s) will students have to drop in order to take AVID?**

AVID is a yearlong elective course that will meet every other day. Students will have to drop 1 yearlong elective (Music or Art ) OR students will drop two ½ year electives (Family and Consumer Science, Technology Education, Business Ed or College and Career Readiness)

**I don't remember what my child registered for?** If selected for AVID a revised pre-registration form will be sent home so that students may choose which electives to drop.

**If my child is not selected for AVID can they take the College and Career Readiness elective course?** Yes. Please contact Mrs. Burch, [jburch2@bcps.org](mailto:jburch2@bcps.org) to add College and Career Readiness to your child's schedule.