

# CLMS AVID 6

Mrs. Veronica Mondragon  
2019-2020 School Year



"It is our choices, Harry, that show us who we truly are, far more than our abilities."

—Albus Dumbledore



## Classroom Expectations: Growth Mindset

"It matter not what  
someone is born, but  
what they grow to be."  
-Albus Dumbledore

## Daily Supplies

- ✓ One 2-3 inch binder for ALL classes
- ✓ Pencils- lots of pencils!
- ✓ Pens- blue, black, and red
- ✓ Highlighters
- ✓ Loose-leaf college ruled paper
- ✓ Scissors
- ✓ Glue stick or glue bottle
- ✓ Ruler
- ✓ Expo marker
- ✓ Pouch for all supplies
- ✓ Dividers for each class
- ✓ Please try not to purchase the accordion binder! All paper needs to be secured in the rings of the binder!
- ✓ Agenda (provided by CLMS)

### No supplies at home?

Supplies required to complete any assignment will always be available to take home! All you have to do is ask!

## Course Description

Welcome! My name is Mrs. Veronica Mondragon. I will be your AVID elective teacher this year. I am so excited you have chosen to be a part of the AVID family! AVID is an acronym that stands for Advancement Via Individual Determination. This is a college preparatory course designed to help students learn strategies to succeed in rigorous courses, gain confidence, teach organization, and help address any confusion or difficulty in core content classes through tutorials with guidance and support.

Here is what you can expect this year in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade AVID course:

- Binder Checks
- Tutorials
- Field Trips to Knott's and Disneyland
- University Visits
- Family Fun Nights
- Introduction to WICOR strategies (Writing, Inquiry, Collaboration, Organization, Reading)
- Leadership opportunities

Now that you have been selected to participate in the AVID elective program, you will be viewed as a role model, an exceptional student, and leader to all your peers! We know you are ready for this responsibility because after all, you ARE an *avid* student.

Did you know that the word AVID is not only an acronym that stands for Advancement Via Individual Determination, but that the word also is an adjective meaning to show great enthusiasm for or interest in?

**Synonyms:** enthusiastic, ardent, keen; devoted, dedicated; zealous.

That is exactly who you are! Welcome to AVID! 😊

## Technology Use

I encourage you to download or add to your favorites the following apps that we will be using frequently in middle and high school. Technology access at home is not required, however it can make homework easier for all other classes. Detailed info regarding some these apps & websites are on my website. The apps are: Office 365, Google Docs, Jupiter Grades, my website, Dictionary.com, Vocabulary.com, Clever, Edpuzzle.com, and Parent Square.



## Grade Breakdown (weights & categories)

Students will be graded on the following in AVID:

### Assessments (50% of overall grade)

Binder Checks & Agendas

### Classwork (30% of overall grade)

Tutorial Request Forms & Tutorials

Participation/Assignments (in class AND after school activities)

Behavior

### Homework (20% of overall grade)

Green Sheets (weekly progress reports)

## Absent Work

Students are responsible to make up any work missed due to an absent. Please check Absent Folders for missed work. Student has 7 days to complete and turn in work once they return from an absence.

## Late Work

Students will receive 2 passes for missing 2 Tutorials. Otherwise pick up a Tutorial Make Up Form to earn credit. No late work is accepted.

## Communication Modes

Weekly Green Sheets Grades

[www.jupitergrades.com](http://www.jupitergrades.com)

Parent Square

[www.facebook.com/mrsveronicamondragon](http://www.facebook.com/mrsveronicamondragon)

## Contact Teacher

Email:

[Veronica.mondragon@leusd.k12.ca.us](mailto:Veronica.mondragon@leusd.k12.ca.us)

## Resources

[www.mrsmondragon.weebly.com](http://www.mrsmondragon.weebly.com)

## Surveys

Don't forget to complete the survey at

[www.mrsmondragon.weebly.com](http://www.mrsmondragon.weebly.com)

Click on the tab, "Classroom Info"

and take the Parent Survey!

Students will earn points after you and your child read this syllabus and complete survey.

## AVID Contract

IF student does not uphold the required GPA and behavior traits outlined in the AVID contract, student may be placed on probation and an AVID action plan will be designed and implemented. If student does not show improvement, student may be removed from the program. BE a student with CHARACTER THAT COUNTS! (trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and good citizenship)

## AVID Rewards



AVID students work hard all year long. We set high expectations and our students excel! As a reward, we host fun events throughout the year after school hours. In addition, we are planning a trip to Universal Studios and an End of the Year Celebration event in May.

## Calling all Parent Volunteers!

We are looking for a parent (or parents) who can help us regularly. There is a lot of work required to set up field trips, events, and coordinate and communicate with staff, universities, and Book Keeper. If you are someone who is interested in helping us, please let us know! We appreciate it!



## Sample Week in AVID:

Monday	Tuesday	Wed.	Thurs.	Friday
<b>WICOR</b> Writing Inquiry Collaboration Organization Reading	Tutorials TRF due 	<b>WICOR</b> Writing Inquiry Collaboration Organization Reading	Tutorials TRF due 	Family Fun Days/Team Building Games Guest Speakers Binder Checks