Welcome to AVID 9! This year we will focus on WICOR- writing, inquiry, collaboration, organization, and reading! The transition from junior high to high school can be overwhelming. We will work to make sure you keep on track in all of your classes. Be ready to challenge yourself academically and socially this year!

How to Succeed in My Class...

- Be Prepared... on time, in your seat, with appropriate materials
- Be Positive... ready to learn and think for yourself
- Be Attentive... by participating in class, listening and staying on task
- Be Responsible... for your assignments and your actions
- Be Respectful... of yourself, your peers, and of me, your teacher.

Failure to meet the standards will result in the following consequences:
1st time: Warning
2nd time: Detention
3rd time: Detention and parent notification
4th/5th time: Referral to counselor/administrator

Materials:
- 3-ring binder 2-3" with pocket inserts
- Dividers (for each class)
- 2 or more Pens and Pencils
- Highlighters
- Zipper Pouch
- Notebook Paper

Absences and Late Work:
- If you know you are going to be absent, let me know and I will help prepare you for what you will miss
- Late work (not due to absence) will be worth credit
- You must make up all missed assignments within the amount of time equal to days missed.

Binder Checks/Cornell Notes/Learning Logs:
Binder checks will be done by the tutors every Friday. Cornell Notes checks will be done by your teacher every other Friday. A minimum of 2 Cornell Notes every other week per academic class is required (8 total). You may select which four classes you would like your notes to be checked. You may occasionally complete Learning Logs in place of Cornell Notes when taking notes is not realistic. Your CNs should be MEANINGFUL and CURRENT. Please refer to the Cornell Notes and Binder Checklist on how you will be graded.

Participation/Classwork:
Activities and assignments in class should be approached just as they would in a core class. AVID is a class where you get to practice your “academic scholar” skills so you can be a superstar when you leave class! Most AVID curriculum will be completed in class, but you will have some homework.

Projects:
You will have multiple projects this year that will require homework. Be prepared!

Tutorials:
Tutorial Request Forms (TRF) will be filled out the night before tutorials and ready for tutors when you enter class. Participation in the tutorial process and genuine questions are crucial!

Grades will be uploaded as graded.

Cheating/Copying:
Plagiarism (noun): taking someone else’s work or ideas and passing them off as your own.
Synonyms: copying, stealing, theft
Do not cheat/copy/plagiarize!
I will catch you and you will receive a zero on the assignment. Do your own work!

Extras:
- NO PHONES: no texting, snapchatting, playing games, taking pictures etc. If a cellphone is visible and I have not told you that you can use it, it will be removed. You will get it back at the end of the period. 2nd time, you will get it back at the end of the day. 3rd time, it is sent to the office.
- NO FOOD/DRINK: Water bottles with lids are okay. Keep hydrated! If you have a special medical need, please talk to me.
- Bathroom passes will be allowed in moderation, and never the first or last 5 minutes of class.
- Be encouraging of your classmates. You all need to work together and support each other.
- Communicate. Come to me with questions or concerns. Let me know if there is something I can do to help you. There is power in asking.

Please detach and return to Ms. Cross signed by your parent/guardian verifying that you and your parent have read the above information.

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Student Name Parent/Guardian Name Parent/Guardian Signature