

Welcome to Otis A. Mason Elementary

3rd, 4th, and 5th grade AVID Information
and Curriculum Night

OTIS A. MASON



Organization * WICOR
Student Success Skills * Partnerships



AVID Center Mission

To close the achievement gap by preparing all students for college readiness and success in a global society.



The AVID College Readiness System

AVID Elementary

Embedded strategies in multi-subject, non-elective classrooms

AVID Secondary

AVID Elective: year-long elective offered on secondary sites

AVID Schoolwide: strategies across all departments

AVID Postsecondary

AVID Postsecondary works with institutions of higher education to support students with the goal of increasing academic success, persistence, and completion rates.

What is AVID Elementary?

- Embedded “best practices” throughout day
- Organization and responsibility
- Philosophy on learning
- For ALL students
- Methodologies and strategies of AVID embedded in a multi-subject, non-elective classroom

AVID Elementary Framework

- **Organization**

- Agenda/planners, organizational tools, note-taking strategies

- **WICOR**

- Writing to Learn, Inquiry, Collaboration, Organization, Reading to Learn

- **Student Success Skills**

- Communication skills (writing, speaking, listening) study skills, time management, goal setting

- **Partnerships**

- Site, district, home, community

A Typical Day in an AVID Elementary Classroom

- Students use agenda/planner throughout the day
- Organizational tools are expected to be used throughout the day
- Note-taking strategies are utilized by all students
- Lessons with an emphasis on WICOR are represented in a variety of subjects

What is “WICOR”?

- **WRITING**

- Reflection Tools

- **ORGANIZATION**

- Agenda/Planner
 - Organizational Tool
 - Note-taking Strategies

- **INQUIRY**

- Levels of Thinking and Questioning

- **READING**

- Reading to Learn
 - Key comprehension strategies

- **COLLABORATION**

- Group roles and Study Buddies

Supplies for Success

- Backpack
- Year-long agenda/daily planner
- Tool bag (zippered pouch)
 - Pencils, pens, sticky notes
- 3-hole punched loose-leaf paper
- Spiral notebooks
- Pocket folders
- Composition books
- 3-ring notebook
- Dividers



How Can Families Stay Involved?

- Ask specific questions about school
- Reinforce the agenda at home
 - Doctor's appointments, family events, sports
- Support homework blocks
- Make school your child's "job"
- Celebrate short-and long-term goals

Classroom Partnerships

Teacher's Responsibilities

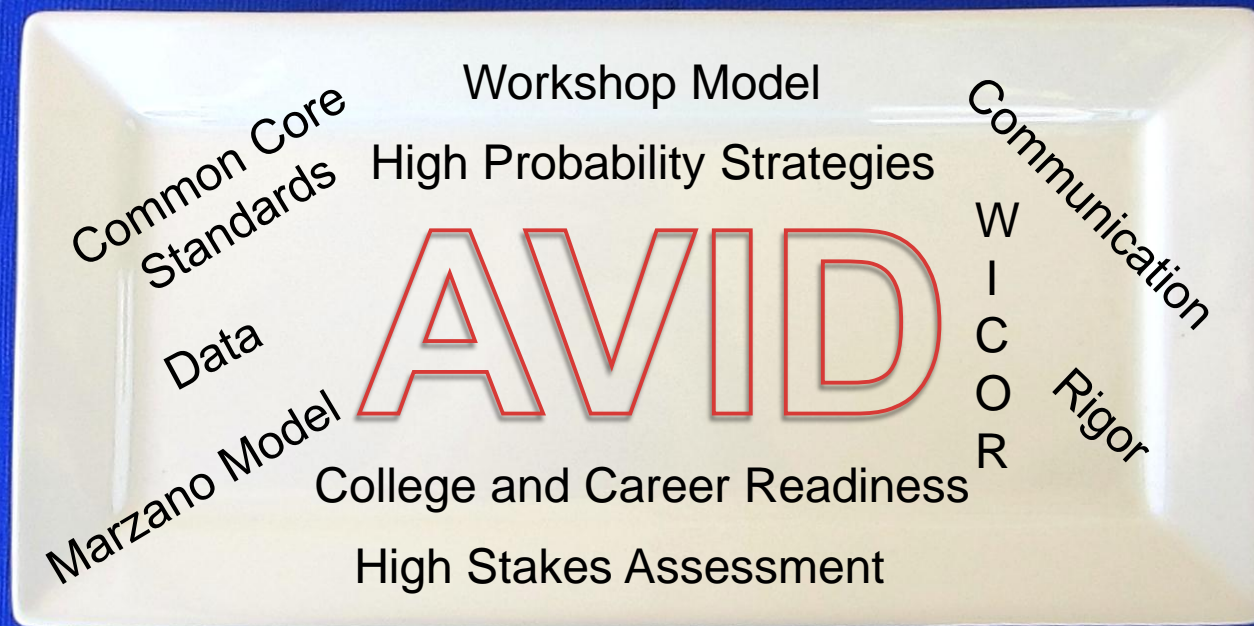
- Consistent expectations
- Organized lessons
- Weekly schedule
- Purposeful lessons
- Arrive at work "prepared to teach"

Student's Responsibilities:

- Personal ownership
- Best effort
- Maintain updated agenda
- Arrive at school "prepared to learn"



AVID IS THE PLATE



Curriculum Chats

- 3rd Grade Families
Music Room
- 4th Grade Families
Classrooms
- 5th Grade Families
Remain in Café

Thank you for joining us!

