



AVID Region IV Newsletter

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Write-Off Awards

April 29 • Willow Creek
April 30 • San Mateo COE
5:00 p.m.—7:30 p.m.

- ◆ Region IV **Student Awards Nights** are from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on the following dates:
- ◆ For the last regional workshop of the 2003 school year, Region IV will meet:

Tuesday, April 29, 2003

Willow Creek Center
Concord
and

Wednesday, April 30, 2003

San Mateo COE
Redwood City

Tuesday, May 6, 2003

4:15—7:15 p.m.

**Scott's Restaurant
Jack London Square**

Patricia Page, AVID Regional Coordinator will present AVID Write Path material, new strategies and best practices. You may register on-line at www.avidregion4.org or with the enclosed flyer. The cost is \$25.00.

- ◆ Invitations have been sent to all participating coordinators. Winning students and their parents received invitations through their AVID teachers. A guest author will speak at each of the ceremonies and AVID Coordinators will be introducing students to receive their awards. We will be serving heavy hors d'oeuvres.
- ◆ Certification packets have been mailed to AVID Coordinators. Site Team Meetings are being scheduled with each school from March through June. Please:
 - Review the Essentials in the continuum and determine where your school is at, at this time
 - Review your 2002-2003 Site Team Plan
 - Have Portfolio completed (samples under each Essential)Year 1 or "New Schools" are not formally reviewed for certification. They will be guided through a "trial run" of the certification process.

- ◆ **Summer Institute** dates are **July 20-24, 2003**, for the Northern California Summer Institute in Sacramento and **August 48, 2003**, for the International Summer Institute in San Diego. Region IV is funding **two participants** from each returning school, while **AVID Center is providing an incentive by funding the fourth participant from each school.** For new schools, the region will pay for three participants to attend. Region IV has reserved 25 guest rooms at the Sacramento Sheraton for the first 25 AVID schools registering (1 room per site).

- ◆ Check out our new look on our web site www.avidregion4.org.



School News...

- Some members of the AVID II class at **Will C. Wood High School** have produced a video which was used for recruitment this year. The students did a presentation for the faculty at their feeder school and also for the faculty at Will C. Wood. The video highlighted activities which occur in the AVID elective, as well as activities which the AVID students organize around the campus. Their presentation included the video and a panel of students who spoke and answered questions. After the presentations they passed out forms for teachers to recommend future AVID students. Both presentations were warmly received and highly praised.
- Julie Elliott, California AVID Associate Director, recently visited **McKinley Institute of Technology** in preparation for their plans to apply for Demonstration School Status for the 2004-05 school year. Also, MIT AVID students will be visiting Holy Names College this month.
- Haywood High School** took their Sophomore AVID class on an overnight field trip to Sacramento. They visited UC Davis, Sacramento State and University of the Pacific. Many students were finally able to really see the differences between a UC, CSU, and a private college.
- Reminder!** Last day to apply for your 2002-2003 \$500 field trip reimbursement is **May 15, 2003**. Call Sara Lagasse at 925-296-1425 if you have questions.



- Capuchino High School** is going on one last field trip on May 19th. They are renting a charter bus and driving down to CSU Monterey and UC Santa Cruz. These campuses will be numbers 10 and 11 for this year. Besides the seven campuses they saw in Los Angeles in the fall, they also visited Notre Dame (where they had a free lunch!) and Stanford on March 20th.
- Westmoor High School** AVID students, under the direction of AVID teacher Alex Mullin, are creating a "peace mural" to be dedicated to the school on May 9, 2003. Local dignitaries will be on hand to help them celebrate.
- Stephanie Koteles**, AVID teacher at **Oak Grove Middle School** reports that her 7th grade AVID class has requested to do literature circles. They developed a list and each of them are volunteering to buy one of the books. They plan to start the end of April.
- Burlingame Intermediate School's** AVID program sponsored a school wide Career Day on April 2, 2003. Also planned for later in April is a field trip to San Jose State University and participation in "I'm Going to College Night", a district wide event held at Burlingame Intermediate.
- Mark your calendars! The 12th annual **East Bay College Connection Fair** will be held on Saturday, **May 10, 2003**, from 1:00—4:30 p.m. at St. Mary's College in Moraga. Use their free shuttle from the Orinda BART station leaving approximately every 20 minutes.
- Ralston Middle School** AVID students will be visiting San Jose State University in April.



Dates to Remember...

Tutor Workshop Schedule:

Next training planned for Fall 2003

SAT Test registration deadlines:

SAT I & II May 2, 2003

Regional Workshop:

May 6, 2003 4:15-7:15 pm Scott's Restaurant
Jack London Square

Please visit our web site for more details.

Write-Off Awards Night:

April 29, 2003	5:00-7:30 pm	Willow Creek
April 30, 2003	5:00-7:30 pm	SMCOE

Senior Celebration:

May 14, 2003	11:30-1:00 pm	Pauley Ballroom UC Berkeley
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Summer Institute:

July 20-24, 2003	Sacramento
August 4-8, 2003	San Diego

Time Change

