RIMS AVID Scholarship Program

Spring 2027 Scholarship Application

RIMS AVID Scholarship Program will award scholarships to qualified AVID high school seniors in Riverside, Inyo, Mono, and San Bernardino Counties.

RIMS AVID Scholarship Awards:

- Will be contingent on contributions
- Can only be used for tuition, on-campus housing, books and/or fees at four-year colleges/universities in the United States (may not be used at for-profit schools or institutions)
- Are one-time-only awards
- Will be released by the Inland Empire Community Foundation (IECF) upon receipt of full-time college enrollment verification

Applicants Must:

- Plan to attend a four-year college or university in the United States
- Demonstrate *individual determination* and a commitment to higher education
- Be a RIMS (Riverside, Inyo, Mono & San Bernardino counties) AVID or ARC (AVID Riverside County) senior with a minimum of three years in an AVID program
- Have a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher and have completed (or be currently enrolled in) at least one AP/IB/or college level courses

Completed Applications Must Be Submitted in the Following Order:

1. Application Form (pages 2-4)
2. Transcript—**unofficial/no envelopes**; must include grades from first semester of senior year; (Page 5 + transcript)
3. Short Answer Prompts (page 6 + responses)
4. Two letters of recommendation--open, no envelopes (attached to pages 7 and 8)

STAPLE ALL PAGES TOGETHER at top left corner

No faxed, electronic or back-to-back copies of applications or portions thereof will be accepted.
Incomplete applications will be disqualified.

Attn: Applicants
Submit completed application to your AVID Coordinator, due date to be determined by your AVID Coordinator.
Instruction Page only (please do not return this page)

Attention AVID Coordinators:

Mailed applications to SBCSS must be received by 4:00 pm on Tuesday, February 2, 2027
SBCSS – Attn: AVID, 601 North E Street, San Bernardino, CA 92410
(Please DO NOT use JET mail):

By Drop-Off at the following locations between the hours of 3:00 & 5:00 pm on February 2, 2027:

SBCSS Visitor Parking Lot – 601 North E Street, San Bernardino 92410
RCOE Conference Center Parking Lot – 4280 Brockton Ave., Riverside 92501
West End (SBCSS) – 8265 Aspen Ave., Rancho Cucamonga 91730
High Desert Area – Starbucks, 11412 Fashion Court, Hesperia 92344
Low Desert Area – RCOE Indio Office Parking Lot, 47110 Calhoun St., Indio 92201
South Riverside County – Starbucks, 25040 Hancock Ave., Murrieta 92562

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT IN BLACK INK	Date:

Student Information

Last Name:	First Name:	MI:

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY):	Gender:

Permanent Mailing Address

Street Address:

City:	State:	Zip Code:

Student Personal Cell #:	Parent Personal Cell #:

E-mail Address:

School Information

School Name:

District Name:	County Name:

Current AVID Teacher's Name:
Current AVID Teacher's E-mail:

AVID Coordinator Name:
AVID Coordinator E-mail:

Name of your AVID Middle School (if applicable):
Name of your AVID Middle School Teacher:

Years in AVID (Mark all that apply with "X" TK-5 ☐ 6th ☐ 7th ☐ 8th ☐ 9th ☐ 10th ☐ 11th ☐ 12th ☐

College and Career Information

Anticipated Field of Study:	Anticipated Career:
Why have you selected this academic path?	

List the colleges/universities to which you have applied: **If accepted, indicate when letter was received:**

1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	

If you have made a decision, circle or highlight your school of choice.

Family Information

Ethnicity:	Primary language spoken at home:

Parents' highest level of formal education (Mark with an "X")

Father	Mother	Education Level
☐	☐	No High School
☐	☐	Some High School
☐	☐	High School Graduate
☐	☐	Some College
☐	☐	Two-Year College Graduate
☐	☐	Four-Year/University College Graduate
☐	☐	Post Graduate Study

Father's Employer:
Mother's Employer:

Parents' combined gross annual income (Mark with an X):

☐ **Below $25,000** ☐ **$25,001-$50,000** ☐ **$50,001-$75,000** ☐ **$75,000 & above**

Number of people living in your home (include yourself):	Number of siblings currently in college: 3
Explain what roadblocks could cause you to not be able to attend a four-year university next year?	

(Paid) **Employment Information**

Employer	Job Title	Dates From	To

(Unpaid) **Community Service Information**

Grade Level	Organization / Description	Total Service Hours/Year
9th - 12th		
9th - 12th		

Family Obligations

Description	Hours/Week

Extra-Curricular Activities

(attach an additional page if more space is needed)

Grade Level	Activity (Sports, Arts, Clubs, Organizations, etc (include leadership roles)
9th	
10th	
11th	
12th	

Honors and Awards

Grade Level	Award Name/Description
9th	
10th	
11th	
12th	

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ATTACH TRANSCRIPT TO THIS PAGE

Overall GPA (unweighted) as of the end of the first seme

Advanced Placement / IB / college level courses (dual enrollment and/or concurrent enrollment) taken:

1.
2.
3.
4.
5.
6.
7.
8.
9.
10.

AP/IB Tests Taken

AP/IB Course Taken	Date Test Taken	Score

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Short Answer Prompts- Attach Prompt Answers to This Page

Applicants should respond to ALL 6 Prompts below:

- No more than 100 words per prompt (600 words total)
- Type your responses, using a 12-point common font such as **Times New Roman or Arial .**
- Type your name and your school's name in the top right corner of each page.
- Proofread your answers carefully for spelling, grammar and structure. Use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) is highly discouraged.

Prompt 1: Describe what you consider to be your greatest strength. Explain why.

Prompt 2: What is your proudest accomplishment? Explain why.

Prompt 3: What has been your most meaningful high school activity? What were your responsibilities in this event?

Prompt 4: In what ways have you been a leader and/or positive role model to others?

Prompt 5: How has AVID impacted your education?

Prompt 6: Explain any financial, personal, and/or family hardships you have experienced during your high school career.

Acceptance of Scholarship Terms

I have read and understand the terms of my scholarship as set forth by the RIMS AVID Scholarship Program.

Signature of Student:	Date:
Signature of Parent/Guardian:	Date:

Authorization to Use Likeness and Materials

I hereby authorize RIMS AVID and/or the AVID Center to use any photograph and/or scholarship essay in materials promoting the AVID program.

Full Name of Student (Print or Type):	
Signature of Student:	Date:
Signature of Parent / Guardian:	Date:

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Letter of Recommendation - #1

Each student needs two letters of recommendation; one from his/her AVID teacher, or AVID coordinator, or counselor, AND the other one from a content-area teacher.

Student Name (Printed):	
Name of School (Printed):	
Name of Individual Making Recommendation (Printed):	
Title of Individual Making Recommendation (Printed): (AVID Teacher/ AVID Coordinator/ Counselor)	

The above named student has applied for a RIMS AVID scholarship. You have been selected to write a one-page (typed and single spaced) letter of recommendation.

Please be sure to include the following details which will greatly assist the scholarship readers:

- **What sets this student apart from other students?** Please provide specific details and/or anecdotes that will assist the committee in making their selection.
- **Special circumstances and/or obstacles this student has had to address.**
- Examples of this student's initiative, motivation, and determination to complete a four-year college education.
- Academic and leadership qualities that make this student a positive role model.

Please attach your letter to this page and return to the AVID Student

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Letter of Recommendation - #2

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Name of School (Printed):	
Name of Individual Making Recommendation (Printed):	
Title of Individual Making Recommendation (Printed): (Content area teacher)	

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