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Superintendent of Schools

To: RIMSD 41 Board of Education
From: Dr. Sharon Williams
Cabinet Champion: Ramona Dixon, Director of Grants, Accountability, and Assessments
Date: May 12, 2026
Re: **Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID)**

AVID is a schoolwide instructional system designed to increase the number of students who are college and/or career ready upon graduation. AVID's mission is in alignment to the district's mission, which is one reason we continue to advocate for AVID. Here in the RIMSD #41, we have a three-pronged approach to this body of work: Membership, Coaching Days/Curricula Supports, and Summer Professional Learning.

To date, we have six (6) schools- Rock Island High, Edison Jr. High, Washington Jr. High, Frances Willard Elementary, Earl Hanson Elementary, and Rock Island Academy that are implementing the AVID program, and we pay for membership and access. AVID is also a learning partner for our school improvement schools, and they provide on-going job embedded, professional development for our schools designated as needing improvement. Finally, we take advantage of the AVID Summer Institute. This conference takes place each summer, and the district sends individuals from the buildings where AVID has been adopted. The number of employees in attendance during this learning opportunity fluctuates each year, but is based on the AVID Site Team Plan and the outcomes of Coaching and Certification Self-Rating Tools.

Body of Work	Total Cost
Membership for six (6) schools and online access	\$23,880.00
School Improvement: Coaching Days & Curricula Supports	\$37,305.20
Summer Institute Registration (Up to 33 participants @ 1,100 each, no contract for this)	\$33,000.00
Total:	\$94,185.20

It is recommended that the Rock Island Milan School District's Board of Education approve the payment of \$94,185.20 to AVID Center, 9797 Aero Drive San Diego, CA 92123.

Investment Period: July 1, 2026- June 30, 2027
Total Investment: Not to exceed: \$94,185.20
Funding Source: Title IV and Title I SIG

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