



JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL

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“The field of knowledge is the common property of all mankind.”

- Thomas Jefferson

AVID NATIONAL DEMONSTRATION SCHOOL

JEFFERSON MISSION

- ▶ Jefferson’s Mission is to provide an inclusive, relevant, and comprehensive education within a principled, diverse community. We are committed to inspire in each Mustang a love of learning and an infinity for risk, empowering in each to persevere as a balanced and thoughtful global citizen.

JEFFERSON HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ AVID Demonstration Campus – exemplary model school for the Advancement Via Individual Determination College Readiness System.
- ▶ International Baccalaureate World School
- ▶ National historic landmark
- ▶ Distinguished alumni
- ▶ Grammy winners and Nobel Prize winners
- ▶ Lassos – world-renowned trick-roping and dance team.
- ▶ Haynes, MJR and Senate - service leadership organizations
- ▶ High Parental involvement; PTA and Principal’s Coffees
- ▶ Jefferson Educational Leadership Council

AVID EMPOWERS the IB CURRICULUM

- ▶ Jefferson offers the International Baccalaureate education, acclaimed because of its rigorous academic and personal standards. AVID strategies facilitate the educational challenges of IB students, to help them excel not only in their studies but also in their personal growth. Both AVID and IB emphasize learning how to learn, teach personal responsibility, and encourage students to value learning as an essential and integral part of their daily lives.

COLLEGE GOALS

- ▶ SAISD’s commitment is to transform into a National Model Urban School District with 100% graduation rate and ALL students college ready. Towards this goal, by 2020 over half of SAISD’s graduates will be attending a 4-year University and at least 10% attending a Tier 1 University.

FOCUSED ON RIGOR FOR ALL

- ▶ AVID uses inquiry-based, collaborative strategies to challenge and engage students in content resulting in increasingly complex levels of understanding

AVID IMPACTS

- ▶ **Leadership**
 - Provides meaningful professional learning opportunities
 - Develops and supports campus-based leadership
 - Develops family and community outreach
- ▶ **Systems**
 - Addresses issues of access and equity
 - Increases vertical articulation
 - Provides data collection and analysis
- ▶ **Instruction**
 - Develops students as readers and writers
 - Teaches strategies for critical and higher-level thinking
 - WICOR (Writing, Inquiry, Collaboration, Organization, Reading)
 - Employs Socratic methodologies
 - Cultivates time management and goal-setting behaviors
- ▶ **Culture**
 - Acts as a catalyst to improve the belief system, culture, and instructional strategies for all students
 - Provides support so students can meet high expectations
 - Empowers students with academic, career, and life skills



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