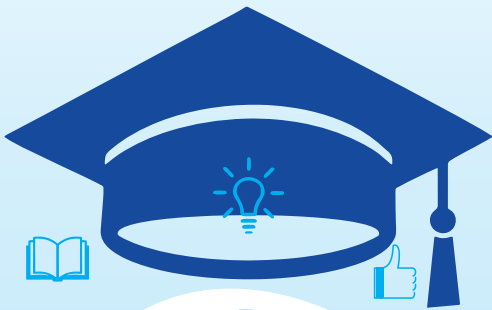




# HILANDER highlights

DECEMBER 2018

## AVID PARTICIPATION in Kelso



4  
SCHOOLS



153  
in grades 7-12

364  
at Wallace Elem.

77% of our AVID students qualify for free or reduced price lunch



75%

of KSD teachers are trained in and use AVID techniques in their classrooms



86%

of our AVID students would be the first in their families to go to college



1st



## Opening minds, and doors, with AVID

AVID stands for "Advancement Via Individual Determination." The national program's mission is to close the achievement gap by preparing all students for college readiness and success in a global society. AVID opens doors for students who are experiencing a low socioeconomic status and would be the first in their families to go to college. By implementing AVID in our secondary schools, and at Wallace Elementary, we're working to open their minds to all that's possible for them and give them the tools to change their world.



# WE ARE KELSO

11th Grade Overall GPA:

**2.88** vs **3.36**

ALL 11TH GRADE

AVID STUDENTS



## STATE TESTING ACHIEVEMENT GAINS

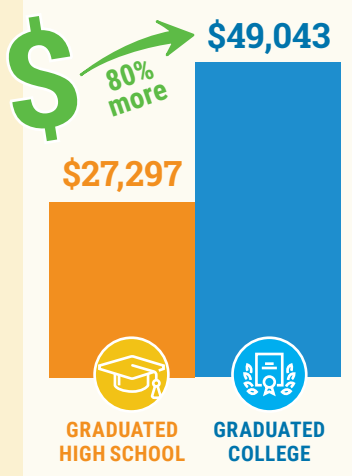
% of AVID elective students passing the Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA) for each subject area, compared to all Kelso students in 2017:



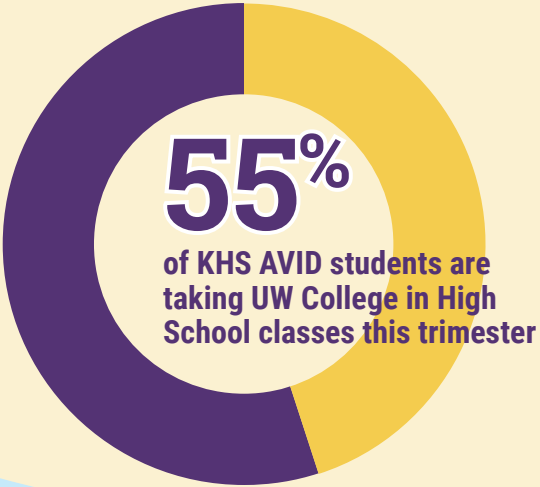
**First Coweeman Middle School AVID cohort**

The first AVID cohort at Coweeman Middle School started this year with 23 8th grade students. To be considered for the elective class, students had to fill out an application, write an essay, and participate in an interview. Read about their experience with AVID so far at [bit.ly/CMS-AVID](http://bit.ly/CMS-AVID)

Annual Median Earnings for Cowlitz County Adults



**13** = the number of colleges Kelso students will visit if they're in AVID in middle and high school



**Huntington Middle School AVID team**

The AVID team at Huntington Middle School meets a couple times a month to discuss ongoing goals, strategies they've used in the class, and get some additional professional development. The work they do both in and out of class for their AVID students has far-reaching benefits. Read more at [bit.ly/HMS-AVID](http://bit.ly/HMS-AVID)

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Leah Moore  
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SUPERINTENDENT: Mary Beth Tack

CHILD FIND INFORMATION  
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