



OCDE AVID Update

Website

<https://tinyurl.com/ocdeavid>

AVID Scholarships

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EVENT DATES & DEADLINES

Oct. 21-25 – Registration for Interest in 9th Grade Leadership Conference

Dec. 6 – Senior Scholarship Applications Due

Jan. 6 – Senior Scholarship Teacher Recommendations Due

Jan. 31 – 9th Grade Leadership Conference

Feb. 6 – Senior Standout Scholarship Applications Due

Feb. 7 – 9th Grade Leadership Conference

Feb. 27 – 8th Grade Scholarship Applications Due

Mar. 6 (Tentative) – AVID Night at Knott's Berry Farm

Apr. 20 – Senior Standout Recognition & Scholarship Presentation

May 6 – 8th Grade Standout Recognition Ceremony

TBD – Angels Pre-Game Ceremony

Knott's Night

AVID Night at Knott's Berry Farm is an opportunity for AVID students, across Southern California, to join together in a night of fun at Knott's Berry Farm. Part of the ticket sales will help fund AVID scholarships for OC students. The event will tentatively take place, Friday, March 6, 2020.

FREE ACT College & Career Readiness Workshop

ACT will be providing a workshop for counselors, teachers and administrators to learn more about how ACT solutions can assist with academic skills, social emotional learning, career navigation, and all the additional resources ACT provides. An Orange County training is available October 22, 2019 from 9:00 am-12:00 pm at Soka University and is absolutely free. Register for this or other locations at act.org/ccrw. Webinars are also available.

Senior Scholarships

Due December 6, 2019

Scholarship season is approaching. For resources, be sure to check out the OCDE AVID website. The application template, descriptions, and link to the AVID Community Scholarship online system will be posted on the OCDE AVID Scholarships page (see far left column). The application will be available online by October 1, 2019.

8th Grade Standouts

Due February 27, 2020

8th grade AVID teachers, please begin thinking about your AVID 8th grade standout. This is an opportunity for a head start on their college savings. It is our goal for every Orange County middle school to have an 8th grade standout for scholarship consideration. The application and scoring guide will be available online by October 1, 2019 on the OCDE AVID Scholarships page (see far left column).

Financial Aid Workshops

The California Student Aid Commission and the California Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators hosts yearly High School Counselor Workshops to assist in providing information and updates on state funded financial aid programs. These free workshops provide a comprehensive overview of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Register at https://events.com/r/en_US/registration/2019-high-school-counselor-workshops-series-august-759389.

On **October 15, 2019**, OCDE will host a 12:30-2:00 pm session focused on the Dream Act. This workshop will cover the Dream Act Application and AB 540 requirements in greater detail. If you are registered for the OCDE morning FAFSA session and attend the OCDE Dream Act presentation, lunch will be provided. Register for the Dream Act workshop at <http://ocde.k12oms.org/1235-167473>.

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UC Application Redesign

A redesigned undergraduate admissions and scholarships application for the UC system launched on August 1st. The redesigned application was a multi-year project with the intentions to refresh the look of the application, enhance accessibility for all users and embrace new and improved technologies. The admission requirements and information collected on the application have not changed. The personal Insight Questions (PIQs) have not changed. You may access the Freshman [Counselor and Adviser User Guide](#) for additional information.

9th Grade Leadership Conference

The AVID 9th Grade Leadership Conference at Pomona College in Claremont will be January 31 and February 7, 2020. The flyer is available at <https://tinyurl.com/ocdeavid>. Schools may apply to attend the conference from October 21-25. Notification of acceptance or regret will occur in November. Space is limited, so please do not overestimate the projected number of students when applying.

Research: Note Taking

Take a moment and check out the article "Note-taking: A Research Roundup" at <https://www.cultofpedagogy.com/note-taking/>.

Teacher Grant Opportunity

Target Field Trip Grant

Due October 1, 2019

Apply at

<https://corporate.target.com/corporate-responsibility/community/philanthropy/field-trip-grants>

Target stores award Target Field trip grants to K-12 schools nationwide. Each grant is valued up to \$700.

Teacher Grant Opportunity

Fedco Teacher Grant Program

Due October 15, 2019

Apply at <https://www.oc-cf.org/grants-scholarships-overview/grants/available-grants/>.

FEDCO grants are available to K-12 public and charter schools in Orange County, California. Grants support hands-on learning projects, either in the classroom or through off-site field trips. See attached flyer for additional information.

Classroom Opportunity

We are so excited to announce that we are able to bring Roadtrip Nation to your AVID 8th and 10th graders this year! Courtesy of a partnership with OCDE and a grant from Orange County Community Foundation (OCCF), we are able to bring the program to your AVID students at no cost. [What is Roadtrip Nation you may be wondering?](#) Roadtrip Nation has created an innovative career exploration online program that guides students in connecting their passions to college and future careers. Roadtrip Nation is part of the AVID 8th and 10th grade Weeks at a Glance. Check out these videos to learn more: High School: <https://vimeo.com/103964724>; Middle School: <https://vimeo.com/104035103>. If you are interested in bringing Roadtrip Nation to your students, please email Molly Gazin at mgazin@roadtripnation.org and mention that you are part of the OCDE/OCCF grant.

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Free College Admissions Application Workshop – October 2, 2019

The Admissions Application Workshop will help train you and/or your team in assisting students with completing their college applications. Representatives from CSU and UC will guide participants through the application process and share pitfalls to look for when helping students apply to college. Priority will be given to schools participating in the California College Application and Success Campaign.

Orange County Department of Education

Cost | FREE

8:30 - 11:30 a.m. or 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

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To register visit

<http://ocde.k12oms.org/1235-173282> (8:30 a.m.) or <http://ocde.k12oms.org/1235-173281> (1:00 p.m.)