The Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) program is well-established in all AACPS middle and high schools. The program also has had great success in some elementary schools for the past few years. At the elementary level, AVID is not an elective class; its strategies are infused in all subject areas, including "specials" like art, PE, music, and media. It is a whole school approach to give even the youngest students tools and strategies to help them succeed through elementary, middle, high school, and beyond. From Kindergarten to 5th grade, Meade Elementary School prepares and sets students up for success.

Knowing the ripple effect that AVID can have in the challenging school years to come, the Marley Mustangs jumped on the opportunity to implement AVID strategies across all subject areas. Teachers, staff, and administration participate in many professional development opportunities and model strategies at staff meetings to build the teachers' capacity and student capacity.