### KHS AVID











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Mr. Pruett

Ms. Soto

Mr. Edwards

# AVID GAZETTE

### MEET THE KHS AVID TEAM

My name is Stephanie Mason and this is my 13<sup>th</sup> year teaching. I have taught World History, Advanced World History, ELD World History, U.S. History, AVID and Leadership. This is my 4<sup>th</sup> year teaching at Kimball High School. I'm the Activities Director and the AVID Site Coordinator. I have an AA degree in University Studies from Merced Community College, a BA degree in Social Science with a minor in California Studies from Chico State and a single subject teaching credential from Chico State as well. I like to scrapbook and bake in my free time.

Mr. Brown

My name is Donovan Pruett, and this is my second-year teaching at Kimball, and 17th year teaching overall. I was born and raised in the Fresno/Clovis area of the valley. After graduating high school in 1997, I went to Reedley community college for 2.5 years, then Fresno State where I earned a bachelor's degree in history in 2002. I later earned a teaching credential in social science and started teaching in Visalia in 2004. While teaching, I attended evening classes to obtain a master's degree in education through Fresno Pacific University in 2010. Throughout my teaching career, I've taught seventh through eleventh grades, and subjects such as World and US History, Introduction to Law, Criminal Justice, and middle school AVID. I'm looking forward to an excellent year working with all of you!

My name is David Brown and this is my 19th year teaching in Tracy Unified School District. I am a product of the Tracy School system having attended K-12 here. I am currently the TUSD AVID Coordinator and teach the AVID Elective at Kimball High School. I have been involved with AVID for over 10 years. I look forward to working with both students and families in order to provide the best education possible for our students!

Hello, my name is Aurora Soto and this is my first year at Kimball High School and I am thoroughly enjoying it; Jaguars are amazing! I currently teach Spanish 1 and AVID III. I was the first in my family to go to college and I graduated from Santa Clara University in 2002. After graduating from Santa Clara University, I worked as a pre-college advisor for the Upward Bound Program at Stanford University and later for Educational Talent Search at CSU, Chico. I later went on to work as an Undergraduate College Advisor for CSU, Chico which has given me great perspective and experience to be a better advocate for my current students. Looking forward to a great year!

My name is Troy Edwards and this is my 20<sup>th</sup> year as a high school counselor. I have been with Kimball High School for 6 years. I am currently the counselor for the AVID program and students with the last name ending in letters A – F. I have AS degree in Administration of Justice from Modesto Junior College and a BA degree in Sociology with a minor in Criminal Justice from CSU Stanislaus. In addition, I earn my Master's degree in Counseling along with my PPS credential from Chapman University. This year will be full of challenges and I look forward to working with all of you.

### WHAT IS AVID?

AVID's mission is to close the opportunity gap by preparing all students for college readiness and success in a global society.

#### Equity

AVID is closing the opportunity gap in college graduation rates among diverse and underrepresented demographic groups.

#### **Teacher Effectiveness**

The AVID Effect is realized through the delivery of inquiry-based and student-centric instruction, which increases levels of effectiveness.

#### Leadership

AVID leaders shift the campus culture to drive change and spread best practices.

#### Student Learning

With AVID, teachers inspire students to take control over their own learning.





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CSU Week is upon us. 23 campuses will be presenting information about admissions and other important information.



# CSU WEEK IS HERE

The CSU Chancellor's Office and all 23 campuses are excited to provide an alternative to in-person college fairs. Each campus will present a short live session to provide a campus overview, information about the admission process and a question and answer portion. If you are not able to attend, all sessions will be recorded.

Registration will remain open, but each session will close at the maximum of 3000 attendees. Make sure you log on to the sessions early. All sessions will be recorded and available on this site.

Please use the links below to register for the live sessions you would like to attend. Pre-registration is required to attend.

https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/csuweek







## COLLEGE OF THE MONTH

California State University-Sacramento, California

300-acre, suburban campus in Sacramento (population: 501,901). Served by air, bus, and train. School operates transportation to local student apartment complexes. Public transportation serves campus.

Web: http://www.csus.edu

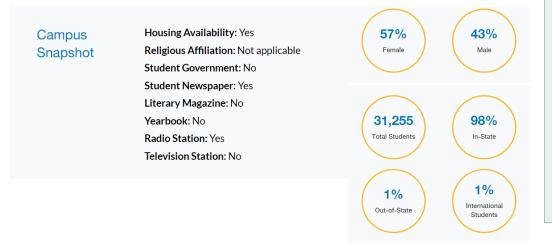
Phone: (916) 278-6566

Type of Environment: City: Large

Institution Type: Public, 4-year or above

Term Type: Semester

**Type of Degrees Offered:** Bachelor's degree, Master's degree, Doctor's degree - professional practice, Doctor's degree - other, Postbaccalaureate certificate, Doctor's degree - research/scholarship



### ADMISSION FACTS

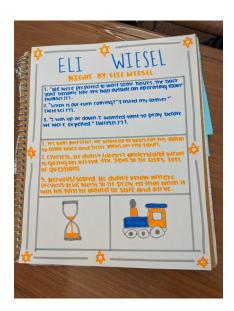
Application Fee: \$55 Common App. Accepted: No App. Deadline (Priority): Oct. 1 App. Deadline (Final): Nov. 30 Early Decision Program: No Early Action: Yes Admission Interview: No SAT/ACT Req'd: SAT or ACT Application Type: Cal State Apply Acceptance Rate: 68% Avg. High School GPA: 3.42

### APPROXIMATE COST

Tuition & Fees: \$7310 Room & Board: \$14900 Additional Fees: \$2326 Books & Supplies: \$1918 Total: \$26454

# AVID STRATEGY OF THE MONTH

Our AVID Strategy of the Month for October is a **one pager**. One pagers can come in a variety of formats. One pagers are designed to show comprehension of, reactions to, and connections with topics of study. You could do this in relation to an article that is read, lecture given, how to play a particular sport, how to solve certain types of equations etc. This strategy is easily used across all subject areas and in all classes! Check out some sample student work below!!

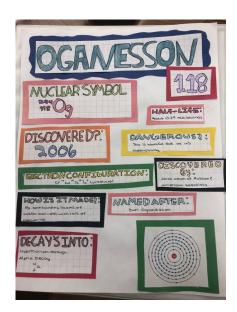


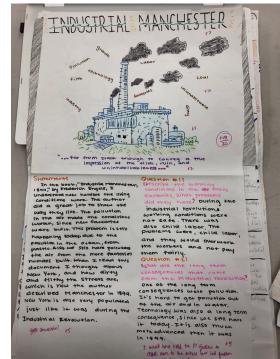
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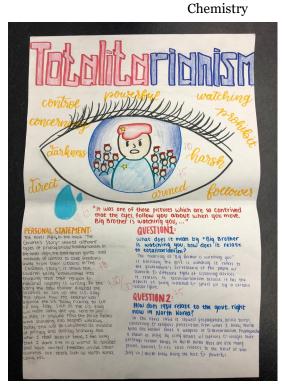
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Biology







Social Studies

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### STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

#### Our Student Spotlight focuses on 12th grader Rison Pereira.

What are three interesting things about you? -He is a cross country and track athlete -Huge history nerd -His favorite movie is Ferris Bueller's Day Off Do you have brothers and sisters? -Corey , Kari Tasia, Kaleb, Jalyn, Jarik Years in AVID -4 years in AVID What do you like most about AVID? -I like the family atmosphere the most. The way everyone treats each other and how we truly are a big family. How has AVID helped you? -AVID has helped me prepare for college. -It helped my confidence in school and made me truly believe that I can go and succeed at a 4 vear. What is your dream job/career? -Manager for a major airline or a manager for an airport. What college do you want to attend or which college are you planning to attend? -University of Dubuque in Dubuque, Iowa. Why do you want to attend college? -I want to attend college because I want to reach my dreams one day. -Without college I would not be able to even have a chance at my dream. What do you plan on studying? -Aviation management or Aviation technology



### WINNING AT WICOR

Mr. Cooley has been selected by a number of his students for Winning at WICOR!

Mr. Cooley is one Of Kimball's new Jaguars and is a Social studies teacher.

His students have been enjoying all aspects of WICOR in his classroom this year. One of the activities that received high marks was partnering up with another student and sharing/creating a personal newsletter. This activity had heavy emphasis on Inquiry, Collaboration, and Organization.

Thank you Mr. Cooley for helping our students and WICORizing your lessons!

You truly are Winning at WICOR!



Mr. Moren has also been selected by his students for Winning at WICOR!

Mr. Moren is one of Kimball's new Jaguars and is an English teacher. The lesson that caught the eye of his students was a lesson on Beowulf.

Students partnered up and looked at Noodles from Beowulf as well as participated in discussions around the Doodles. There was a heavy emphasis on Inquiry, Collaboration, and Reading.

Thank you Mr. Moren for helping our students and WICORizing your lessons!

You and your students are truly Winning at WICOR!







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