

What is WICOR?

WICOR stands for Writing, Inquiry, Collaboration, Organization, and Reading. WICOR is a learning model that AVID and JCMS use to help students learn at higher levels and increase rigor in the classroom. We aim to ensure that students are college and career ready!

Examples of WICOR in the classroom:

W - Writing	1) Writing is • A learning tool • A personal/public communication tool • A record of thinking	2) Students who write Consider the audience & purpose Engage in various writing processes to address specific situations Support their thinking Demonstrate understanding
I - Inquiry	1) Inquiry is Uncovering one's understanding Asking critical questions Engaging in thinking, learning, & discussion	2) Students who inquire Analyze & synthesize materials of ideas Clarify their own thinking Probe others' thinking Work through ambiguity
C - Collaboration	1) Collaboration is Teamwork with shared responsibility Sharing of ideas, info, & opinions Formal/informal discussion	2) Students who collaborate Work together toward a common goal Develop positive interdependence Work in focused study groups Support the learning of others
O - Organization	Organization is Managing materials Planning & prioritizing Strategically controlling your learning responsibly	2) Students who organize Develop & use processes Manage their time well Interact with their teachers Use self-direction & self evaluation
R - Reading	1) Reading is Gaining meaning, understanding, & knowledge from print & other media Purpose-driven Interactive	2) Students who read Understand text structures Use prior knowledge & make connections to text, self, & world Make predictions & ask questions Create visual images as they read