

AVID student of the Month

November

Alyssa Lutz

Alyssa Lutz was selected as an AVID student of the month for November 2014. She originally discovered AVID in middle school, but did not apply to the program until her freshman year here at Sprague. Alyssa liked the idea of extra support to help her eventually reach college and be prepared to have success once she gets there. So she filled out the application, went through the interview process and was accepted into the program this year!

Similar to other students involved in the program, Alyssa really enjoys the tutorials. She believes these are the most beneficial part of AVID because they force you to get confusion cleared up and get questions answered. An AVID tutorial is conducted with a small group of students; one student who has a question or problem (from any class) that they cannot figure out goes up to the board and writes that problem on the board. Other AVID students are gathered around with a blank sheet of paper and act as an audience for the presenter. The student at the board presents their question and starts to work his way through it. When the presenter gets stuck, students from the audience may ask leading questions in order to prompt the presenter. The process develops a deeper understanding of the concept as the student works through it in front of his peers.

Alyssa credits her motivation in school to her yearning for success. Alyssa says that she has always enjoyed doing well and believes that she should try her hardest in everything that she attempts to do. She believes she is motivated to do so well in school because of a realization of possible future successes beyond the walls of Sprague High School. After graduating high school, Alyssa hopes to attend University of Oregon to study psychology.

Outside of the classroom, Alyssa is involved with the dance team. She enjoys representing Sprague on our dance team. Thank you Alyssa for representing Oly Nation and making us proud!