



# **SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS**

**November 7, 2019**



# GOOD NEWS

## In Charlottesville City Schools



*It's college application and FAFSA completion season across the country. In the spirit of the season, we at AVID want to share some good news about the AVID students in Charlottesville City Schools.*

**Of the AVID seniors in Charlottesville City Schools...**

**94%**

submitted a FAFSA or state financial aid form

**97%**

applied to a four-year university

**85%**

were accepted to a four-year university



Nationally, **only 61%** of high school graduates in the Class of 2019 completed a FAFSA. AVID students across the nation far out-pace this statistic, and your district is one that is leading the pack.

Nationally, 81% of high school students aspire to earn a bachelor's degree yet **less than 50%** actually enroll at a four-year university. By applying to four-year universities, your AVID students who aspire for a degree are on-track to achieve that goal.



Applying for financial aid is one of the best predictors of whether a high school senior will go on to college.

Your AVID students are beating the odds, leading the charge, and outperforming peers across Virginia and the nation in important college readiness metrics.

*We invite you to review a comprehensive District Report on <https://data.avidcenter.org/>. You can also drill down to school site-level performance.*



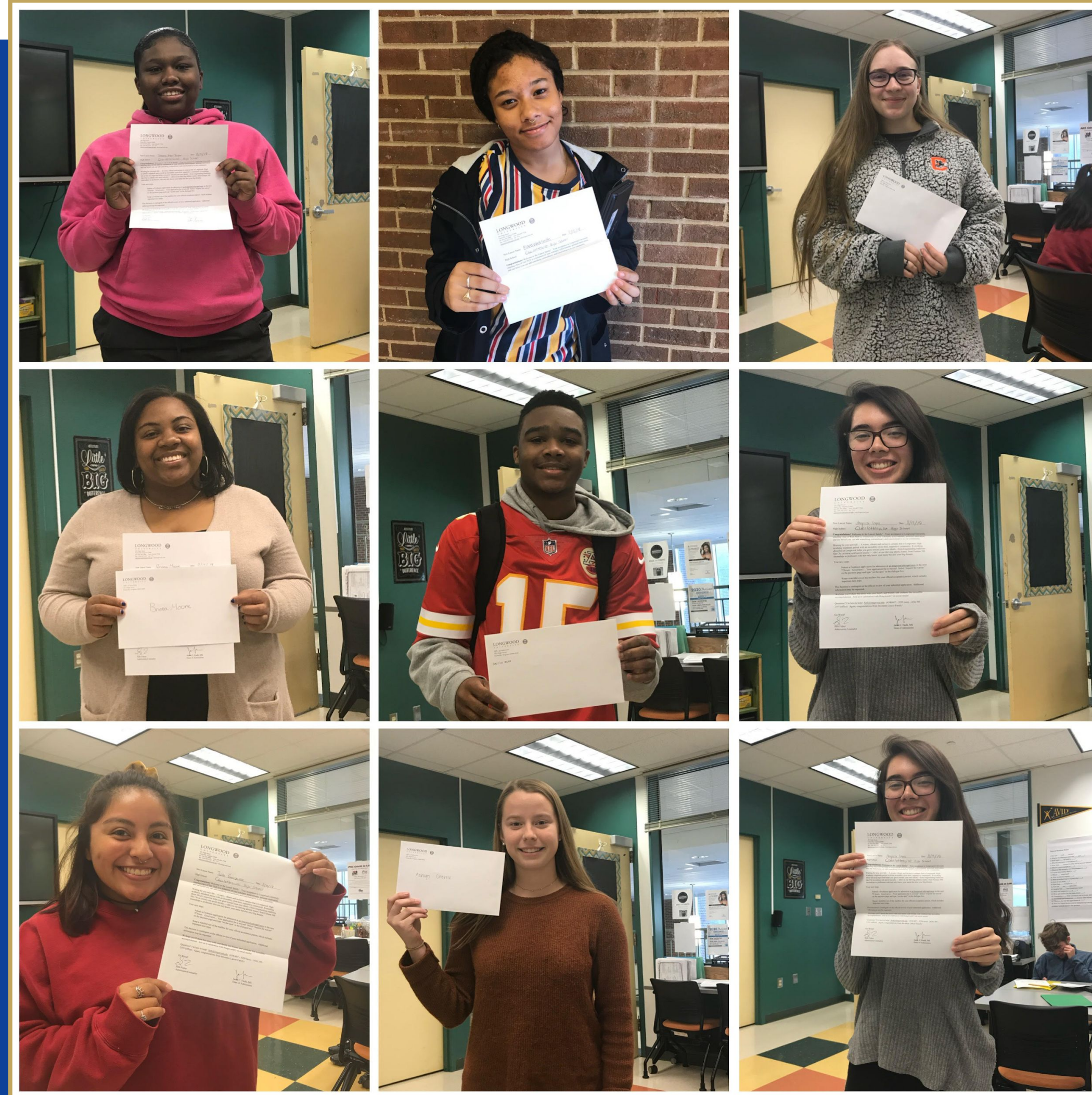


# AVID Early Acceptances





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# Early Childhood Policy Convening and Advocacy Training



On December 3, 2019 – The Early Childhood Funders Network, the Early Education Task Force, and the United Way of Greater Charlottesville co-hosted an Early Childhood Policy Convening and Advocacy Training at the African American Heritage Center.