

Proposition 448: Maintenance & Operation Budget Override Re-authorization

Election Day
November 8th!



Re-authorization maintains the funding approved by voters in 2007 & 2011.

The Governing Board of the District has called a special budget override election to be held on November 8, 2016 seeking voter authorization to continue the current 10% Maintenance and Operation budget increase previously approved by voters.

The proposed override is a continuation of the existing 10% override that was previously approved by the voters in November 2011, which is scheduled to phase down by one-third for each of the next three years.

Continuing the budget override is not a request for new funding or programs. The budget override shall be funded from a levy of taxes on the taxable property within the District and be in effect for a period of seven years.

The budget override will not create a new tax. Upon reauthorization, the estimated associated tax rate will remain approximately equal to the existing tax rate. The estimated cost to an owner of a home with a limited property value of \$153,590 (the average value of a home in the District) would be approximately \$134 per year.

If the override is not approved by the voters, the District will experience a \$6,700,000 reduction to the budget resulting in unavoidable increases in class size and the elimination or reduction in the level of classroom and support services it currently provides students in the following areas:

- School aides
- Counseling
- Full day kindergarten
- Library
- Athletics
- Physical education
- Fine Arts
- Extra-curricular Activities
- Remedial, Elective Courses, and Advanced classes

Learn more: www.maranausd.org/override
(520) 682-4749

Register to vote by October 10:
<https://www.recorder.pima.gov/regvote>

Request an early ballot by October 28:

- <https://www.recorder.pima.gov/earlyBallotRequest>
- by phone - (520) 740-4330
- by mail - Printable PDF form @ <http://bit.ly/2cVjrF0>

Re-authorization maintains current class size, counseling, full-day kindergarten, athletics, fine arts ...

Frequently Asked Questions

What is a M&O budget override, and what is it used for?

Arizona State law sets strict statewide limits on the amount which school districts can spend on the education of students. AZ also allows school districts to increase their M&O budget up to 15% of the state Revenue Control Limit if approved by the voters of the district. An override supports day to day maintenance and operation expenditures of a school district such as utilities, expenditures & personnel related costs.

Is an Override different than a Bond election?

Yes. Bonds allow school districts to fund capital projects such as school buses, facility construction, renovations and repairs, computers, security systems. Bonds cannot be used for M&O expenses. Overrides cannot be used for Bond projects.

Will the override cause the tax levy on property located within the District to increase?

No. The renewal of the budget override will not create a new tax. Upon reauthorization, the estimated associated tax rate will remain approximately equal to the existing tax rate.

Will property taxes decrease if the override is not re-authorized?

Yes. If the override is not reauthorized the secondary property tax rate will decrease by 0.29 annually for each of the next three years. In the first year, this translates to \$29.00 per year for a home with a \$100,000 assessed value (\$2.42 per month). In the second year, this translates to \$4.84 per month.

Continuing the budget override will not create a new tax.