

November 3, 2026

Riverside Elementary School District District Additional Assistance Override Election

DAA FACTSHEET AND FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

District Additional Assistance (DAA) Override Election Information

What is a DAA Override? – A DAA Override is a voter-approved measure that provides essential funding for capital items such as online and print textbooks, library books, instructional aids, curriculum adoptions, supplemental materials, and resources that support Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics, and Medicine (STEM²) classroom instruction.

How much does the DAA Override generate? - Arizona state law allows school districts, with voter approval, to increase their capital budgets by the lesser of 10% of the revenue control limit or \$850,000 per year for a period of seven years. This override is not new. It is a continuation of the support that voters in our community have consistently approved for many years. If it is not renewed by the seventh year, the funding is fully eliminated in the eighth year.

Why are we voting for an DAA Override now? – The DAA (capital) Override budget must be reauthorized by voters every seven years or it is discontinued. RESD voters most recently renewed this override in November 2020, and the community is now being asked to continue this long-standing support for the 2027–2028 academic year. This renewal maintains the funding that families and community members have consistently approved for many years, helping ensure students have the up-to-date resources and learning environments they need to thrive.

Will the DAA Override increase my taxes? – Any DAA (capital) override budget increase authorized by voters is funded entirely through a levy on taxable property within the District, including industrial, manufacturing, commercial, residential, and agricultural property. Renewing the DAA override will **not** increase the current tax rate, as it continues the long-standing support voters have already approved for many years. The continuation of the DAA override will be funded in the first year at the same estimated rate of \$0.09 cents per \$100 of net assessed valuation. This stable, ongoing funding helps ensure students continue to receive up-to-date materials, safe learning spaces, and the resources they need to succeed.

How are the DAA Override funds used? Override funds are used to provide all instructional STEM² program textbooks and library books, both online and hard-copy, along with instructional aids, curriculum adoptions, and supplemental learning materials. These funds also support essential classroom technology and equipment, including audio-visual tools, special education resources, laser printers, drones, robots, science instruments, aeronautical engineering materials, medical-science resources, and other STEM² equipment. This continued investment ensures students have engaging, hands-on learning opportunities, supports teachers with the tools they need to deliver high-quality instruction, and strengthens the community by preparing students with the skills needed for future careers in science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and medicine.

What happens if the DAA Override fails? If the override is not renewed, the District will be required to reduce its operating budget by more than \$850,000 beginning in the 2028–2029 school year. Cuts of this magnitude would almost certainly affect many of the instructional materials and classroom equipment currently funded by the override. This includes STEM² textbooks, library books, curriculum materials, technology, and hands-on learning tools that students rely on every day. A loss of this funding would significantly impact students' access to up-to-date resources, limit teachers' ability to provide high-quality instruction, and reduce opportunities that benefit families and the community.

When is the election? Election Day is Tuesday, November 3, 2026. The voter registration deadline is Monday, October 5, 2026. Voters on the Active Early Voting List (AEVL) will receive their mail-in ballots on or around Wednesday, October 7, 2026. Voters may also choose to vote in person at a polling location.

For more information about voting procedures or questions regarding voting by mail, please contact the Maricopa County Elections Office at **(602) 506-1511** or visit <https://elections.maricopa.gov/>.



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