

# Superintendent's Snapshot

MARICOPA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

February 26, 2021

Dear MUSD Parents and Staff:

In 2016, voters in the City of Maricopa approved a 10% Maintenance and Operations Override in support of Maricopa Unified School District. In November 2021, MUSD will ask voters to continue their support.

This is not a new tax; it is the continuation of an existing funding source. This funding is critical to the success of MUSD students. With these funds, MUSD has been able to:

- Provide every student with a laptop -- a critical resource during this past year of distance learning and intermittent school closures;
- Keep average class sizes in K-5 at or below the board-approved targets, which increases individualized attention every child receives;
- Open RAM Academy, our alternative high school graduation program, which celebrates 99 graduates who otherwise might not have achieved a high school diploma.

If you have questions about the M&O Override, visit the [MUSD 2021 Override webpage](#) for factual information about:

- The cost to homeowners
- MUSD funding compared to neighboring districts
- Consequences of NOT passing the override

Thank you for choosing the Maricopa Unified School District.



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Maricopa Unified School District