

ELECTION FACT SHEET

Voters living within Gilbert Public Schools boundaries will decide whether to continue the existing 15% budget override, approved in November 2019 and in place since 2020/21 school year, generating approximately \$36 million annually to:

- ensure competitive salaries to recruit and retain high-quality teachers and staff in classrooms.
- maintain programmatic choices for students creating future-ready graduates,
- maintain campus safety and security personnel and,
- maintain class sizes with allocation to class size reduction.

How Students, Schools, and Community Benefit



Education Professionals

in Classrooms with

Competitive Salaries



Programmatic Choice Creating Future Ready Graduates



Campus Safety and Security



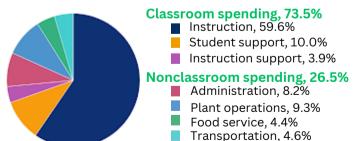
and Allocation to **Class Size Reduction**

This is Not a New Tax Increase

The budget override is a continuation of local funding approved in 2019 by voters. If the Budget Override Continuation is not approved the District would have to cut approximately \$36 million from the budget over 3 years starting in school year 2025/26.

Accountability

Gilbert Public Schools operates under strict financial stewardship and has received national awards for excellence in financial reporting.



Source: Arizona Auditor General District Spending Analysis—Fiscal year 2023

Gilbert Public Schools is over 100 years old. We serve 32,000 students, and employ 4,000 employees in Gilbert and Mesa.

We are an 'A' rated district (Arizona Department of Education), with 14 A+ Schools of Excellence, and 2 National Blue Ribbon Schools.

Our 39 schools K-12, cover 60 sq. miles, in Gilbert and Mesa, offering a wide range of educational programs for families including Accelerated, Traditional, International Baccalaureate, Advanced Placement, Special Education, Career & Technical Education, Gifted, and more.

Nationally recognized award-winning music and performing arts programs, State Championship level athletics, and extensive extra-curricular opportunities for students.





OCT 7 **Last Day** Voter Registration

OCT 25 Last Day Request **Early Ballot** **OCT 28** Last Day Mail in **Ballot**

NOV 5 **ELECTION** DAY

To verify voter registration visit azsos.gov/elections