PROP N

APRIL 7, 2026

FACT BOOK

NO-TAX-INCREASE DEBT LEVY TRANSFER
RIVERVIEW GARDENS SCHOOL DISTRICT

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The Riverview Gardens School District

TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2026
PROPOSITION N
OPERATING TAX LEVY INCREASE

VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION

You must be 17-1/2 in order to register (18 years old by Election Day). You must produce a valid form of identification (driver's license or Missouri ID) to show you are a resident of St. Louis County. All county Department of Motor Vehicle offices and other state offices providing services to communities, some schools and most City Halls, libraries, colleges and universities are voter registration sites. If you have recently moved, we may need to register again under the new address.

If you are not registered to vote and would like to know more, please visit one of the sites listed above or contact:

The St. Louis County Board of Elections
725 Northwest Plaza Dr., St. Ann, MO 63074
Phone: (314)-615-1800
https://www.stlouisco.com/yourgovernment/elections

IMPORTANT DATES

Deadline for Voter Registration	March 11, 2026
General Municipal Election Date	April 7, 2026

ACCREDITATION

The Riverview Gardens School District is provisionally accredited by Missouri's Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

DISTRICT MISSION

Collaboratively educate and empower our scholars to thrive in challenging environments.

DISTRICT VISION

RGSD will be a district where:

- There are high expectations for all.
- There will be healthy, loving, empathetic and kind relationships.
- Students are at the center of our decisions.
- Supports are provided so students become grade-level ready.
- There is transparency, accountability, timely, clear communication, and high levels of customer service.
- All stakeholders have a voice.
- There is a focus on college and career readiness.

RGSD Places No-Tax-Increase Levy Transfer Item on April 7 Ballot

ST. LOUIS, Mo. - Voters in the Riverview Gardens School District will consider Proposition N, a levy transfer proposal, during the April 7, 2026 election. The measure is designed to help the district address ongoing budget challenges while maintaining student programs and services - without increasing the overall tax rate.

Proposition N would allow the district to transfer $0.200 per $100 of assessed valuation from the Debt Service Fund to the Operating Fund. If approved, the operating levy would increase by $0.200 and the debt service levy would decrease by $0.200. **The total tax levy paid by residents would remain unchanged.**

The proposed levy transfer is a response to reduced state funding, declines in attendance-based revenue and decreased local funding, including impacts from the senior tax freeze. The additional operating revenue would help the district maintain classroom instruction, student programs and activities.

Based on current assessed property values, the levy transfer is estimated to generate approximately $730,000 annually for operating purposes.

What's the Difference Between a Levy and a Bond?

A levy is a voter-approved property tax that supports a school district's day-to-day operations, including classroom materials, transportation, utilities and student programs. A bond, such as Proposition S, provides funding for long-term capital projects, including building renovations, safety and security upgrades and infrastructure improvements. Bond funds are repaid through the debt service levy and cannot be used for salaries or operating expenses.

The proposed levy transfer would not affect the district's ability to meet existing bond and debt obligations. Financial projections indicate the reduced debt service levy would remain sufficient to cover all required payments.

Prop N will be on the ballot for the Tuesday, April 7, 2026 election. Residents living within Riverview Gardens School District's boundaries will see Proposition N on their ballot. The district includes portions of Bellefontaine Neighbors, Castle Point, Dellwood, Ferguson, Glasgow Village, Moline Acres, Jennings, Riverview and unincorporated St. Louis County.

Polling locations will be listed on voter cards mailed by the St. Louis County Board of Elections. County residents may vote at any County polling location with a valid photo ID or voter card. Voters who are unable to vote in person may request an absentee ballot.

The deadline to register to vote for the April 7 election is March 11, 2026. For additional election information, residents may visit rgsdmo.org/propn or contact the St. Louis County Board of Elections at 314-615-1800.

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RGSD SERVES THE FOLLOWING COMMUNITIES:

The Riverview Gardens School District serves scholars and families in the surrounding areas of Bellefontaine Neighbors, Castle Point, Dellwood, Glasgow Village, Moline Acres, Riverview and portions of Ferguson, Jennings and Unincorporated St. Louis County.

For more information, please visit rgsdmo.org/propn



Recent Accomplishments

- Louie Award Winner (Glasgow Elem., ELA Growth, 2026)
- PRiME Center Growth Award (Central Middle, ELA Growth, 2025)
- PRiME Center Growth Award (Lemasters Elem., ELA Growth, 2025)
- PRiME Center Growth Award (Moline Elem., Math & ELA, 2025)
- Promising Practices PLC at Work Award (Gibson Elem., 2025)
- Promising Practices PLC at Work Award (Glasgow Elem., 2025)
- Promising Practices PLC at Work Award (Moline Elem., 2024)

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Frequently Asked Questions

Q What is a levy transfer?

A A levy transfer allows a school district to shift a portion of its existing tax levy from the Debt Service Fund (Fund 3) to the Operating Fund (Fund 1). This change does not increase the overall tax rate. Instead, it reallocates current funds to assist RGSD in addressing the current budget shortfall, caused by reduced school funding, decreased funding due to attendance, a reduction in local funding due to the senior tax freeze and more.

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Q What is the district asking to transfer?

A Riverview Gardens School District is asking voters to approve a $0.200 transfer per $100 of assessed valuation from the Debt Service Fund to the Operating Fund.

- Debt Service Levy would be reduced by $0.200
- Operating Levy would increase by $0.200
- **Total tax levy would remain unchanged**

Q How much revenue would the $0.200 levy transfer generate?

A Based on the current assessed valuation, a $0.20 levy transfer is estimated to generate approximately $730,000 annually for operating purposes.

Q What does it take to pass a levy transfer?

A A levy transfer/increase must have just above 50% in yes votes (a simple majority).

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Q **What is the difference between a levy and a bond?**

A **A levy** is a voter-approved property tax that supports a school district's day-to-day operations, including:

- Classroom materials and supplies
- Transportation, utilities and student programs
- Maintaining a balanced budget

A bond (i.e. Prop S) is voter-approved funding for long-term capital projects, such as:

- Building or renovating schools
- Safety and security upgrades
- Infrastructure improvements

Bond funds are repaid over time through the debt service levy and cannot be used for salaries or operating expenses.

Q **Will this affect the district's ability to pay off its debt?**

A No. The district will continue to meet all existing bond and debt obligations. Financial projections show that the reduced debt service levy remains sufficient to cover required payments.

Q **What happens if the levy transfer passes?**

A If approved:

- The Operating Levy will increase by $0.200
- The Debt Service Levy will decrease by $0.200
- The total tax rate stays the same

Additional operating revenue becomes available at the start of the following fiscal year.

Q **Didn't the passing of the Lottery and Gambling in Missouri give more money to schools?**

A No, these funds are earmarked to schools, but not as additional money. The funds were used to replace reduced funding from the state of Missouri.

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Election Logistics

Q When is the election?

A Election Day is Tuesday, April 7, 2026

Q Who can vote on the Levy Transfer Question?

A Anyone who lives within the Riverview Gardens School District boundaries will see this question on their ballot. RGSD includes parts of the following cities and neighborhoods: Bellefontaine Neighbors, Castle Point, Dellwood, Ferguson, Glasgow Village, Moline Acres, Jennings, Riverview and Unincorporated St. Louis County.

Q Where do I vote?

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If you are unable to vote in person on April 7, 2026, you can request an absentee ballot.

Q What is the official ballot language for Proposition N?

A Shall the Board of Education of the School District of Riverview Gardens, St. Louis County, Missouri be authorized to increase the operating levy of the school district by $0.200 per $100 of assessed valuation for the purpose of paying general operating expenses?? If this proposition is approved, the total levy of the school district is expected to remain unchanged due to an expected decrease in the debt service levy of the school district that will offset the $0.200 increase to the operating levy of the school district, resulting in the adjusted operating levy of the school district per $100 of assessed valuation to be estimated at $4.1437 for residential real property, $4.8088 for commercial real property, $4.3592 for agricultural real property and $5.9677 for personal property.

Q How much will my taxes increase if this measure passes?

A Proposition N will not impact taxes for homeowners, business owners or residents. The tax rate will remain the same regardless of the result of the election.

Prop S (April 2024) Promises Kept

Prop S Priorities

Results

ADA Accessibility & Door Replacements



Before

After



Selective door restoration and replacement, repairs of frames and replacement of hardware at Michelle Obama, Highland, Glasgow, Gibson, Meadows, Lemasters, Koch, Moline, Central Middle, & RGHSBegin first week of December with completion expected March/April 2026

ADA chairlift replacement at Lemasters– to be completed December 2025/January 2026.

Central Middle School ADA improvements including ADA accessible parking, elevator, chair lift, ADA accessible restrooms, ADA Locker room space- Work to begin late Spring with completion anticipated in Fall 2026

Westview HVAC Replacement



- Replaced 8 single zone rooftop units
- Replaced 3 large rooftop units gym & cafeteria
- Replaced 6 neutral air units
- Replaced 87 water source heat pumps
- Replaced Fluid Cooler
- Updated Automation/Energy Management System

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Exterior Lighting A&B  	Replacement of all exterior lights with LED fixtures and installation of new pole lights at Michelle Obama ECAC, Highland Elementary, Glasgow Elementary, Gibson Elementary, Meadows Elementary, Lemasters Elementary, Koch Elementary, Moline Elementary, Danforth Elementary, Lewis & Clark Elementary, Central Middle School, Westview Middle, Central Services Replacement of all exterior lights with LED fixtures and installation of new pole lights at RGHS Removal of Ameren light poles
Transportation Improvements  	• Mill and pave front and back lot at Transportation • Install perimeter fencing and gates on the front lot • Replace fuel pumps with new with integrated fuel management system

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RGHS Campus Updates







Completed Projects

- Gym roof retrofitted
- Gutters & Downspouts replaced
- Parking lot repairs and curb repairs
- Tennis court demolition
- Gym wall facade replacement
- Exterior painting throughout campus



Upcoming Projects

- Athletic Field Improvements BOE item in February 2026 with work performed in Summer 2026
- Site Fencing Numerous schools BOE i tem in March 2026 with work to be performed Spring Summer 2026
- HS Command Center BOE item in March 2026 with work to be performed in Summer 2026
- HS Building 9 Facade BOE item in December 2025 with work to be performed in Summer 2026
- Design services for Building 9 screen

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April 7, 2026 Tax Levy Team

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