

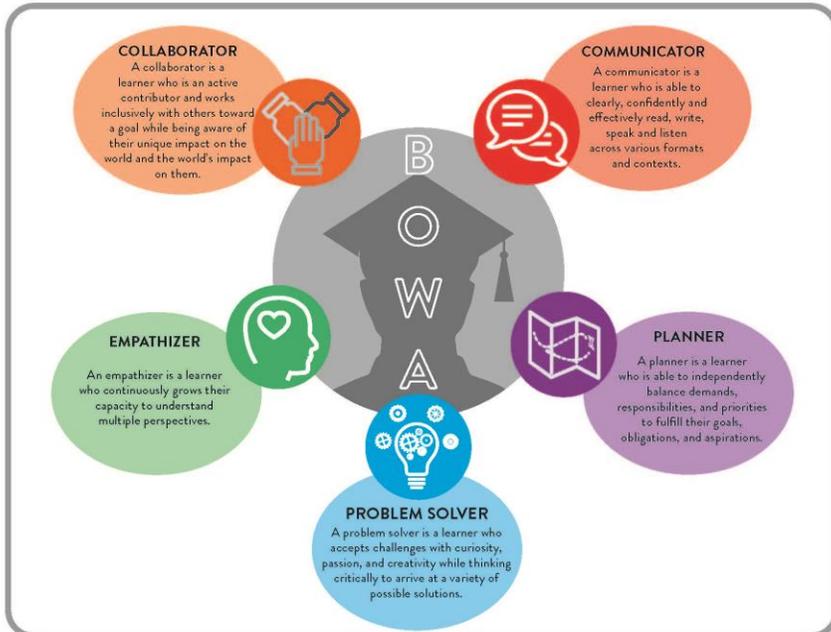


**Amity Regional School District  
2025-2026 Public Budget Hearing**

**Amity BOE Adopted Budget  
April 7, 2025**

# PORTRAIT OF THE GRADUATE

The BOWA Portrait of the Graduate illustrates a respectful, self aware citizen who, through a determined course of scholastic experiences, displays the following characteristics...



COLLABORATOR	EMPATHIZER	PROBLEM SOLVER	PLANNER	COMMUNICATOR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Recognizes themselves as a steward of a greater community</li><li>•Listens openly to various perspectives</li><li>•Advocates respectfully for one's own ideas</li><li>•Establishes meaningful connections with others</li><li>•Takes responsibility for authentic contributions</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Acknowledges and affirms the feelings of self and others</li><li>•Connects and understands their own thoughts, needs, and perspectives as well as those of others</li><li>•Respects differences and demonstrates humility</li><li>•Demonstrates compassion through helping and supporting others</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Observes and asks questions willingly</li><li>•Analyzes and synthesizes information from multiple sources</li><li>•Perseveres through adversity</li><li>•Acknowledges limitations and seeks helpful resources</li><li>•Views challenges as opportunities for growth</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Manages time</li><li>•Engages in reflection for individual improvement</li><li>•Prepares for responsible personal financial decision making</li><li>•Makes choices that promote personal wellness, joy, and contentment</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Takes an active role when listening and in expressing thoughts and opinions</li><li>•Takes risks to have difficult and courageous conversations to communicate divergent perspectives</li><li>•Engages and empowers others</li><li>•Understands their audience and adjusts the message</li></ul>

# Board of Education

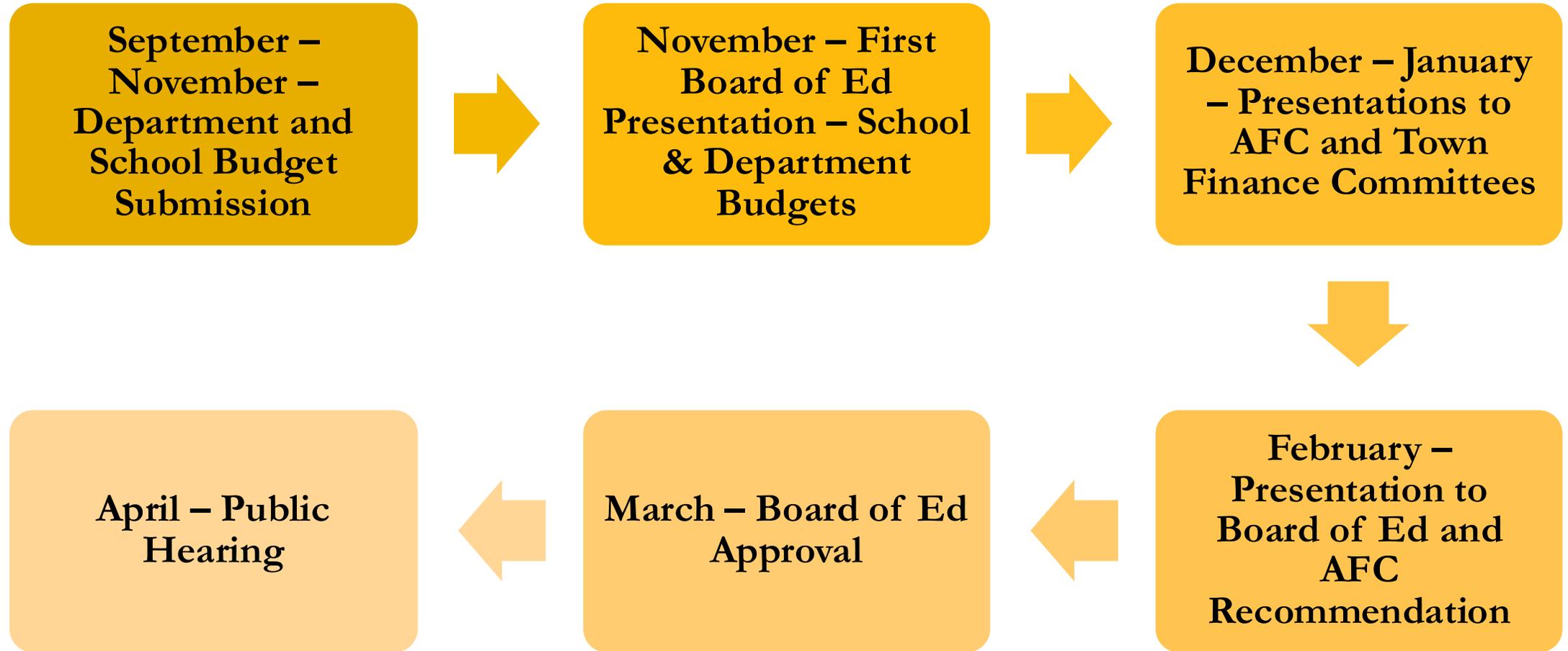
## MISSION

To enable every Amity student to become a lifelong learner and a literate, caring, creative, and effective world citizen.

## GOALS

1. Continuously improve instruction, cultivate creativity, and enhance student engagement and performance.
2. Enhance the efficient and effective use of resources.
3. Foster a supportive climate for students and adults.

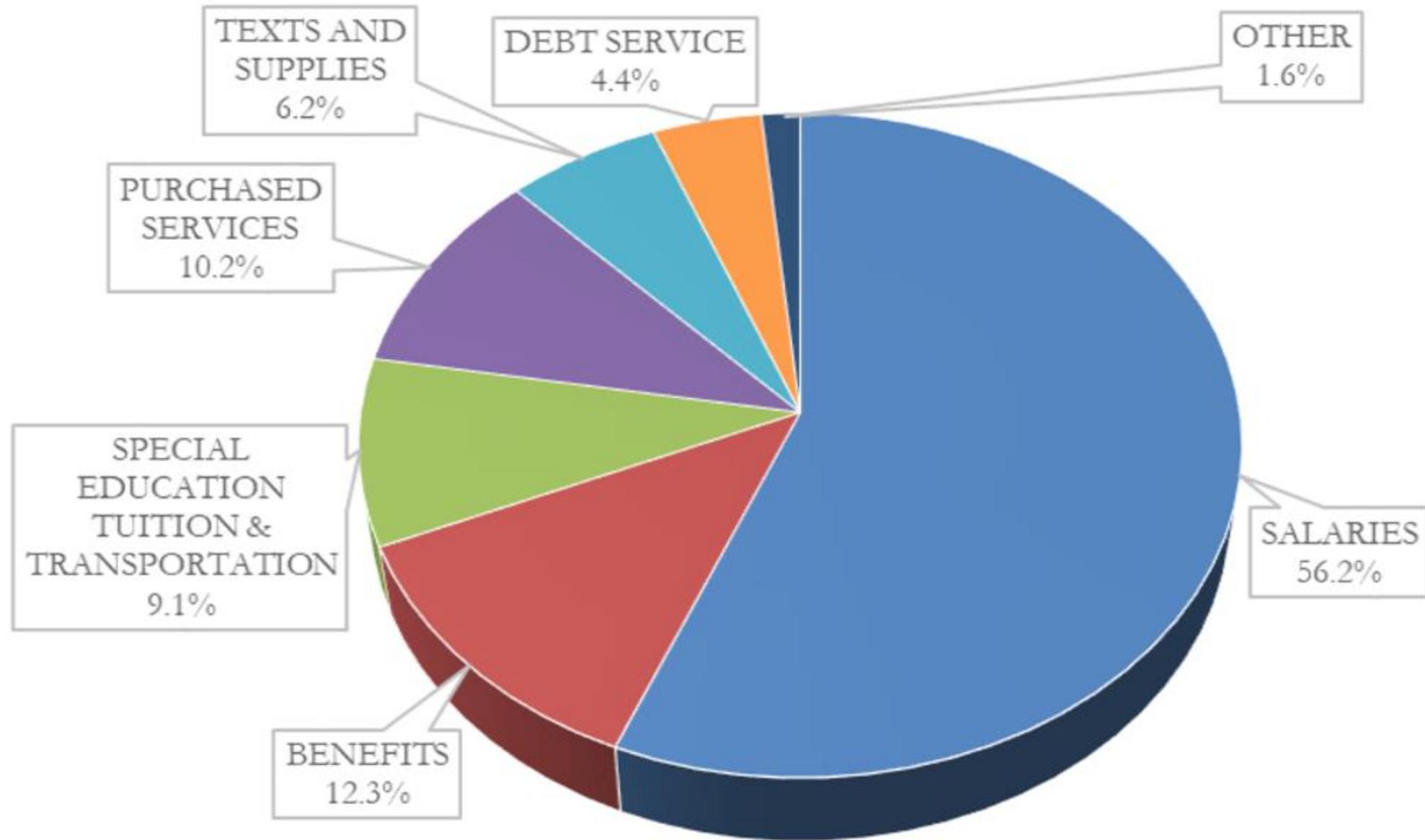
# Budget Development Process



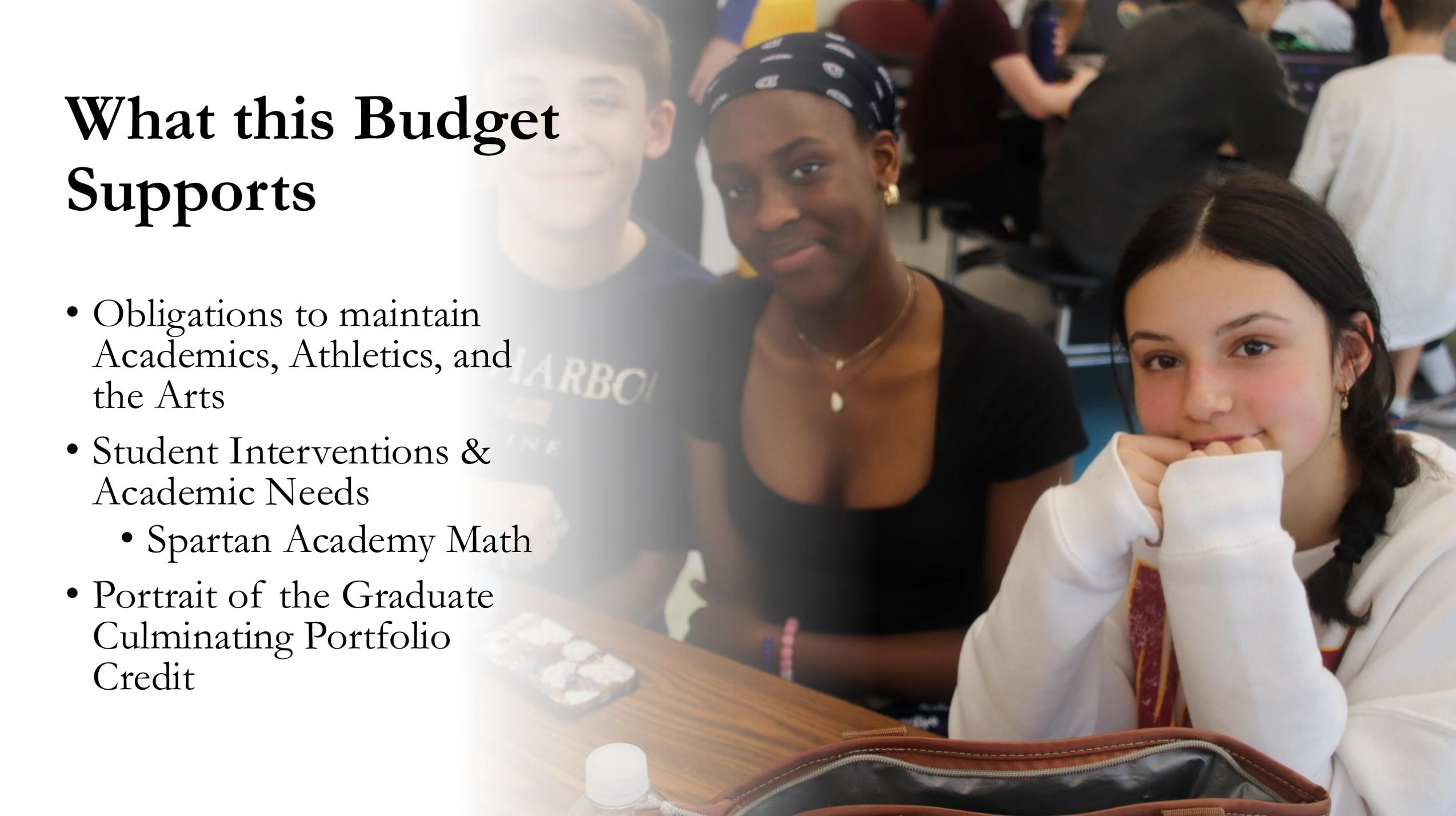
# 2025-2026 Budget Overview



# PROPOSED 2025-2026 BUDGET



# What this Budget Supports

A background photograph of three students sitting at a wooden table in a classroom. On the left, a young man with short brown hair is smiling. In the center, a young woman with dark skin and a black headband is looking towards the camera. On the right, a young woman with dark hair in a white hoodie is resting her chin on her hands. The table has a water bottle and a brown bag on it. The background shows other students and classroom furniture.

- Obligations to maintain Academics, Athletics, and the Arts
- Student Interventions & Academic Needs
  - Spartan Academy Math
- Portrait of the Graduate Culminating Portfolio Credit



# What this Budget Supports

- Student Activities
  - Drama Productions
  - Field Trip Expenses
  - Middle School Late Bus
  - Amity Advocates Program

# What this Budget Supports

- Student 1:1 Devices
- Teacher Devices
- Technology Infrastructure
- Technology Replacement
- Specialty Labs





# What this Budget Supports

- Pupil Services and Student Mental Health
  - Increase in Multi-Language Learners – TESOL Teacher
  - Offset State Funding for School Engagement Specialist

# What this Budget Supports

- Curriculum and Instruction
  - Curriculum Writing and Revision
  - Professional Development
- Teacher Evaluation
- Short- and Long-Term Facilities Improvements
  - Library Media Centers
  - Athletics Facilities



# Average Daily Membership

	<u>2024-2025</u>		<u>2025-2026</u>		<u>Change</u>
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>	
Bethany	345	16.305%	347	16.117%	(0.188%)
Orange	1052	49.716%	1043	48.444%	(1.272%)
Woodbridge	719	33.979%	763	35.493%	1.460%
Total	<b>2116</b>		<b>2153</b>		

# 2025-2026 Town Allocations

	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>	<u>\$ Variance</u>	<u>% Variance</u>
Bethany	\$9,012,104	\$9,160,226	\$148,122	1.64%
Orange	\$27,479,040	\$27,533,537	\$54,497	0.20%
Woodbridge	\$18,780,881	\$20,142,040	\$1,361,159	7.25%
Other Revenue	\$1,184,627	\$1,273,196	\$ 88,569	1.94%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$56,456,652</b>	<b>\$58,108,999</b>	<b>\$1,652,347</b>	<b>2.93%</b>

# State Budget Perspective

CT Superintendents' <i>Average</i>	5.62%
DRG-B <i>Average</i>	5.14%
Regional School Districts <i>Average</i>	4.19%
Board of Education Adopted Budget <i>Average</i>	5.36%

Amity has one of the lowest budget increases in the state, ranking 104th out of 116 districts (lowest 10%).

# BOWA Budget Perspective

Amity Finance Committee Recommendation (2/24/2025)	3.16%
Amity Board of Education Approved (3/10/2025)	2.93%

	Bethany	Orange	Woodbridge	Amity
<b>Elementary</b> District Budget Increase	3.25%	3.90%	5.18%	2.93%
<b>Town</b> Department Budget Increase	-1.03%	3.95%	2.81%	



# Upcoming Meetings

- Monday, May 5, 2025 – Annual District Meeting
- Tuesday, May 6, 2025 – Referendum
  - 6:00 am – 8:00 pm
  - Bethany Town Hall - Bethany
  - High Plains Community Center - Orange
  - The Center Gym - Woodbridge

Thank you for supporting your  
Amity Students

