



**SWEET HOME CENTRAL
SCHOOL DISTRICT**
of Amherst and Tonawanda

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Dear Candidate:

A “Meet the Candidates” program will be held immediately following the Sweet Home Board of Education budget hearing on Tuesday, May 5, 2026. This program, which is held in the Norman C. Vergils Community Center, will open with a brief introduction by a district administrator. Each candidate will have an opportunity to make a brief (no more than five minutes) statement. This is your opportunity to share your experiences, goals, ideas, and potential contributions as a Board of Education member. The order of candidates is determined by your position on the ballot.

After each candidate has spoken, there will be an opportunity for the audience to ask questions. This portion of the program will be moderated by the district administrator. The moderator will establish the parameters for the questions as well as establish a reasonable length of time for this portion of the program. The moderator will also identify the people to speak and make every attempt to maintain a balance with the questions.

The time frame for the evening calls for the “Meet the Candidates” program to begin immediately following the 6:30 PM budget hearing. The regularly scheduled Board of Education study session will follow the program. Please arrive no later than 6:15 PM.

Please keep in mind that school board candidates must follow established legal procedures when campaigning on the day of the vote at the polling site (Sweet Home District Office). You or anyone representing you must remain at least 100 feet from the polling locations during voting hours. These areas will be clearly identified on May 19, 2026. If you have any questions, please contact me at 250-1402 or fderion@sweethomeschools.org.

Sincerely,

Falon Derion
District Clerk

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