



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

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**MEMO**

To: Prospective Candidates for Board of Education

From: Falon Derion, District Clerk

RE: May 19, 2026 Board of Education Election

To be on the ballot as a candidate for the Board of Education Election on May 19, 2026; you must meet the following criteria:

1. Be a qualified voter of the District
  - You must be 18 years of age
  - You must be a US Citizen
  - You must be able to read and write
2. You must have been a resident of the District for at least one year prior to the date of the vote.
3. You may NOT be an employee of the Sweet Home Central School District, or a family member of another board member. In addition you may not hold another incompatible public office nor have been removed from any School Board office within the preceding year.
4. You must have 25 signatures of Sweet Home Central School District eligible voters (at least 18 years of age, district resident at least 30 days prior to vote, US citizen). Petitions are due at the District Office no later than 5 pm on Monday, April 20, 2026.

All candidates must file three sworn or affirmed statements with both the District Clerk and the NYS Commissioner of Education when total campaign expenditures and contributions (made by candidates or on their behalf) exceed \$500.00. When campaign expenditures and contributions are less than \$500.00, the candidate must file a sworn statement only with the District Clerk. **The filing dates are April 20, 2026; May 14, 2026; and June 8, 2026.** Forms are available on the website and from the District Clerk.

For more information, please contact me at 250-1402 or [fderion@sweethomeschools.org](mailto:fderion@sweethomeschools.org).

Thank you for your interest in the Sweet Home Board of Education.

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