## **Comparing Budget Processes and Access to Information**

## **Pittsford Central School District Residents**

Budget meeting calendar is set, and Budget Datecard is mailed to residents

Community members and staff on the District Planning Team (DPT) serve as the budget advisory body that defines, reviews and approves budgetary guidelines including funding priorities

Administration presents budget variations and options to BOE based on defined guidelines

Budget work sessions are held for the BOE to review budget variations and options and ask questions. Community members may ask questions or comment at subsequent BOE meetings during

Board of Education finalizes and adopts budget as its own to present to the community for approval Budget Proposal is compiled in budget newsletter and mailed to residents

Other Budget Communications:

- Website Content
- Superintendent's eNewsletter
- District Newsletter
- School Building Newsletters
- Social Media
- · Community Notifications

Detailed budget book is available for public review in school buildings, Pittsford Community Library and Pittsford Town Hall

Board of Education formally presents its budget to the community at annual Budget Hearing

Annual Budget Vote and Board of Education Election

## **Monroe County Residents**

County budget is developed then presented at a County Legislature meeting. Next it is discussed at a Ways & Means Committee meeting, then voted upon at the following Legislature Meeting. Opportunity for public comment is limited to the Ways & Means Hearing when approval of budget is sought.

## **New York State Residents**

New York State's budget is developed by the Governor with the Division of Budget Review based on the Governor's guidelines. Agencies of the state submit budget requests and may attend budget hearings to discuss their requests. Legislature also participates in the hearings. The Governor submits his Executive Budget to the Legislature for approval.