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## Budget Appeal Form - Pre-Dental Association

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To SA Treasurer <sa-treas@buffalo.edu>; UBSA Contracts <sa-contracts@buffalo.edu>; Amanda Johnson <alj7@buffalo.edu>

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**Please Note: Club budget appeals are reviewed by the SA Senate or Executive Committee, and therefore any appeal form submitted may be posted on the SA website.**

**First Name** mdpitche@buffalo.edu

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**Please choose your club** Pre-Dental Association

**What position do you hold within your club** Treasurer

Please note: any appeals made by clubs may **ONLY** be based on procedural error, inaccurate application of the criteria set forth under applicable policy or math pertaining to the relevant club, or violation of law. A club may only appeal its own budget, not that of any other club.

**Please select the basis for your club's appeal (you may select multiple options):** inaccurate application of the criteria set forth under applicable policy

Procedural error

### **Inaccurate application of the criteria set forth under applicable policy**

**What policy are you referring to?** Amount of active members only stated as 1, meaning the \$250 tier is incorrect

**What is the specific inaccurate application of the criteria set forth under applicable policy that you are alleging? (Please state in as much detail as possible.)** On the determination, our club was set to the lowest tier because of a mistake on SA's end. It says we only have 1 active member for our club, which is not correct. We are diligent about scanning event passes at every meeting, with 20+ members marked as attended on UB Linked as we are the biggest pre-dental club. On UB Linked it says we have over 90 members, so I'm confused how SA's recorded our club as only just 1, setting us

in the lowest tier. I did make a mistake in accounting for food, but we still need money for our meetings that occur every 2 weeks, as we need supplies that will help improve future dentists' manual dexterity.

**Please attach all relevant evidence.** [Policy\\_uploadIMG 4346.jpeg](#)  
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## **Inaccurate math**

## **Violation of the law**

## **Outcome and other info:**

**What outcome are you requesting in this appeal?** I would like to see our club be put into the appropriate tier, and not receive a measly \$250 as that is not sustainable for SA's largest pre-dental club. I would also like to see our budget increase more for supplies as we do plan on holding 15-20 meetings throughout the semester that will need different arts, crafts, other supplies for each meeting, along with food as well. Without the disallowed expenditures for food, the it says the club would've gotten \$3,900 which is a lot more sustainable than \$250, but we would prefer an amount that is closer to what was originally requested, \$8,800.

**Is there anything else that you want SA to know regarding your appeal?** As you can see, and by looking at any meeting within the last two semesters on UB Linked, our attendance has always been 20+ members. And many of those members have repeatedly come to meetings and events. I just would like to know where they got the information from that the original determination that states we only have 1 active member, when you can see that we have 20+ consistent attendance at every single meeting through the last 2 semesters. I believe if this is changed, our club with be able to operate more successfully throughout the following year, as we are a large stepping stone for students who are interested in going into dental school.



# Pre-Dental Association

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## 2025-2026 Academic Year Club Budget Determination Letter

Club Name: Pre-Dental Association

All University at Buffalo Student Association Inc. ("SA") club budgets are determined in according to the SA Club Budget Policy which can be viewed at: [Club Budget Policy](#). Consistent with the mandates of SA's By-Laws, SA is strictly prohibited from considering (and has not considered) the viewpoint(s) held and/or expressed by any club, its officers, or its members when making club budget determinations.

Club's Current Tier for 2024-2025 Year:	2
Number of Club Events/Meetings during 2024-2025 Academic Year Through April 14 <sup>th</sup> according to information submitted by club on UBLinked:	13
Number of Active Members during 2024-2025 Academic Year through April 14 <sup>th</sup> according to information about event attendance submitted by club on UBLinked:	1
Club's Maximum Allowable Tier for 2025-2026 Year Under the SA Club Budget Policy:	1
Club's Maximum Allowable Budget for 2025-2026 Year: <i>A club's maximum allowable budget is based on the tier for which they are eligible, and may be further limited by points 1 and 2 under the Historical Data section of the SA Club Budget Policy.</i>	\$250.00
Budget Requested by the Club:	\$8,800.00
Total of Individual Expenditure Requests That Are Not Allowed, If Any. See attached. <i>If your club's maximum allowable budget is lower than your requested budget minus disallowed expenditures, this does not affect your club.</i>	\$4,900.00
Requested Budget Minus Disallowed Expenditures: <i>Allowance of an expenditure for budget allocation purposes does not guarantee approval of that purchase. Expenditure approval is subject to SA's Encumbrance and Expenditure Policy and subject to all other applicable SA, UB, and SUNY Policies.</i>	\$3,900.00
The Lower of the Club's Maximum Allowable Budget or Requested Budget Minus Disallowed Expenditures:	\$250.00
Percentage Reduction for All Clubs in This Tier: <i>A percentage reduction to the proposed budget of all clubs may be applied if necessary to reduce the total amount allocated to clubs. Tiers one, two and three clubs shall not receive a percentage reduction. Tier 6 clubs will receive a percentage reduction that is double the percentage of tier 4 clubs with tier 5 clubs' percentage being halfway between the two.</i>	0.00%
Calculated Club Budget Following Tier-Based Percentage Reduction:	\$250.00
Number of Club Violations Committed During the 2024-2025 Academic Year: <i>Amount Reduced Due to Violations: If a club has been found to have committed 3 or more policy violations in the then-current academic year, 10% shall be removed per violation (starting with the third violation) from the final proposed budget of that club.</i>	\$-
<b>Final Club Budget for 2025-2026 Academic Year:</b>	<b>\$250.00</b>

Clubs may appeal budget determinations within 10 days of when the club is informed of the budget determination by email. Any appeals made by clubs may only be based on procedural error, inaccurate

application of the above criteria or math pertaining to the relevant club, or violation of law. A club may only appeal its own budget, not that of any other club. Appeals shall be decided within 45 days of when they are submitted. Appeals may only be submitted through the following form: [Budget Appeal Form](#)

Sincerely,  
Louis Poon,  
SA Treasurer

### Disallowed or Reduced Expenditures

Expenditure numbers correspond to expenditure numbers listed in the club's budget application. Zeros

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Expenditure 4	\$250.00	Funds for food not allocated under Budget Policy
Expenditure 5	\$450.00	Funds for food and prizes/giveaways not allocated under Budget Policy
Expenditure 6	\$50.00	Funds for food not allocated under Budget Policy



## Pre-Dental Association

**Primary Contact:** Emaan  
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Total Memberships

96

Organization Tools



Upcoming Organization Events



0 Upcoming Events

*No Events*

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