

SHS Red Storm News

Semester 2- Quarter 3



Photo by Mohamed Nohassi on Unsplash

Principal's Message

January 25, 2021

Dear Students, Families, and Staff,

It's hard to believe that today we are beginning second semester! Exams have been taken and this week students will have some continuing year-long classes to get back to and perhaps some other new classes starting for second semester. We have three weeks until our next school vacation. Hopefully, we will be able to continue to stay in school until then.

Today also begins the restart of athletics and activities after school with all the precautions that were in place prior to Cumberland County moving to the yellow designation. I'm certain that many students

are happy to be able to get back on schedule with these activities! We're glad that they are able to enjoy these things as well!

Over the next two weeks, **Sophomores** will be taking part in some informational meetings regarding our Career and Technical Education (Vocational) offerings. They will be attending virtual meetings with both Portland Arts and Technology High School (PATHS) and Westbrook Regional Vocation Center (WRVC). These meetings will take place during our AEAST time on the following dates:

- Tuesday, February 2: WRVC (Cohorts A & C)
- Friday, February 5: WRVC (Cohorts B & C)
- Tuesday, February 9: PATHS (Cohorts A & C)
- Thursday, February 11: PATHS (Cohorts B & C)

These schools have wonderful opportunities for students and we hope they will find these meetings informative. We encourage students to speak to their counselor if they are interested in attending a two-year CTE program! There is additional information for families that will be in the [Program of Studies](#) when that is released in February.

Due to COVID19 restrictions, the National Honor Society is creating a video recognizing our new members. This video will be shared with families on Thursday, February 11. Congratulations to all of our students being inducted!

The third quarter [Parent Meeting](#) will be held on Wednesday, March 3, from 6:00 – 7:00 PM. This will be a virtual meeting and an invitation will be coming out closer to this event. There will be an agenda shared with the invitation. Likewise, third quarter [Student Meetings](#) will be held in the Auditorium during AEAST on Thursday, February 4 (for Cohort B), and Tuesday, February 9 (for Cohort A). There will be announcements prior to these meetings to remind students that might want to attend. Cohort C students are encouraged to email an administrator with any questions or ideas.

Parent Teacher Conferences are going to be held virtually again this semester and will be held on Thursday, March 11, from 2:45 – 7:15 PM, and again on Thursday, March 25, from 2:45 - 5:15 PM. There is additional information about registering for conferences included in this newsletter.

I hope that everyone is hanging in there and remaining well. It is encouraging to know that the vaccines are beginning to be given to those most in need. I continue to be grateful for all of the amazing efforts our students, teachers, and staff are putting into their work as teachers and learners. It is the efforts of everyone that is making this work! THANK YOU!

Be well,
Susan J. Ketch
Principal



Project Give Holiday Soap Drive

During the month of November, the SHS Student Council in collaboration with SHS Advisories collected donations of soaps and other practical goods to assist Project Grace in supporting members of our community. Thank you to all for your generous donations during this time of tremendous need!



SHS Civil Rights Club Receives SEF Grant

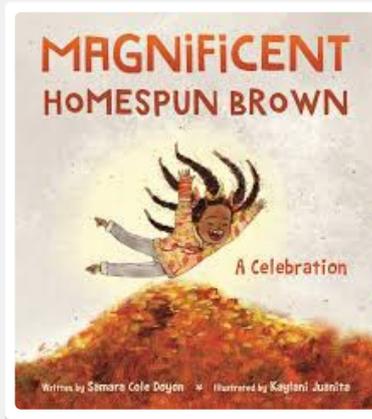
The Civil Rights Club is honored to announce that it has been awarded an SEF grant for the 2020-2021 school year. This grant enables the Civil Rights Club to author an event at the K-2 schools which will include every student receiving their own copy of the book, *Magnificent Homespun Brown*.

Magnificent Homespun Brown is written by a former Portland Public Schools kindergarten teacher, Ms. Samara Cole Doyon. Ms. Doyon grew up in Central Maine and is the biracial daughter of a white Mainer and Black Haitian father. This book focuses on the beauty of the color brown, specifically in relation to a young child's skin. It is illustrated by world-renowned artist, Kaylani Juanita and celebrates the magnificence that is the color brown. This book changes the narrative so that Black and Brown children can celebrate their inherent value. *Magnificent Homespun Brown* has recently been named one of the Best Books of 2020 by the New York Public Library system.



Michelle Shupp

Civil Rights Club, Advisor

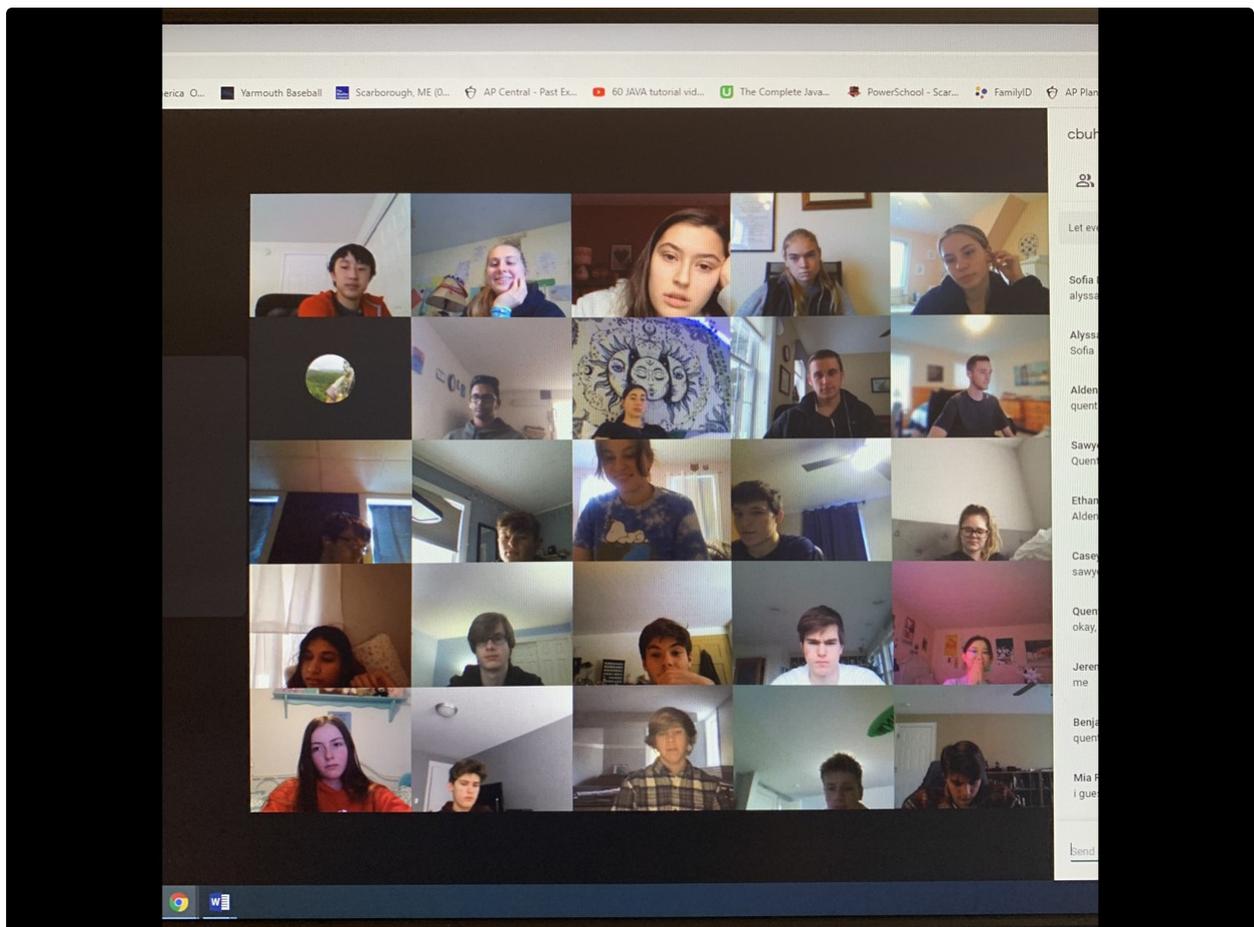


Magnificent Homespun Brown



Presentation of Award

SEF Representative, Colleen Amann, presents SEF Award to Civil Rights Club Advisor, Michelle Shupp



SHS Math Team Remains First Place in State!

After 3 meets, the SHS Math Team remains in first place in the state. Above are members of the SHS Math Team in a virtual meeting. Below are links for anyone who wants to follow the team in the local league, Pi-Cone as well as statewide stats.

https://www.pi-cone.org/sch_ranks.asp



Important Message to Seniors from the Senior Placement Office

Hello Class of 2021,

The Placement Office will start sending your **Mid-Year Transcript** out to your colleges beginning Tuesday, February 2nd, when the grades are finalized and stored in PowerSchool. If any senior has an incomplete, please let our office know, so we can hold off sending the transcript until February 5th, when all work must be finalized.

Students will likely begin to receive notifications from colleges that mid-year reports are due, sometimes "urgently." These notifications are auto-generated; colleges are aware that most high schools have mid-terms in January and will be forwarding transcripts as soon as they are available. If a student receives a concrete request specific to his/her application indicating that a mid-year report **MUST** be received by a specific date, please let our office know.

Please note, that it will take me 3 or 4 days to upload all the transcripts to each senior's individual Naviance Account and send them out to all their colleges.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

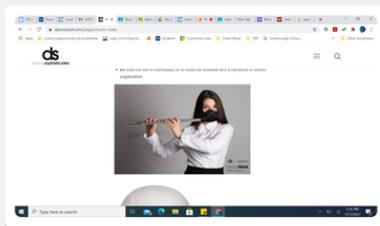
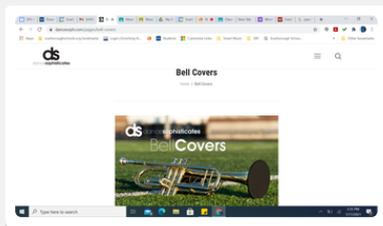
Mrs. Henderson

207-730-5030

ehenderson@scarboroughschools.org

Band News!

The good news for Band students is that bands now have CDC approval to play indoors, using special PPE that includes face masks and instrument bell covers. Examples of what they look like are displayed below. We will be in small groups, using 10 feet of distancing between players, and can play for only 30 minutes at a time - but it will be wonderful to be making music together again! Hopefully these masks and covers will reach us in time to start playing right after exam week is over.



Scarborough High School Store

SHS Store has new items in stock now! Get yours while supplies last.

- Winter hats \$15
- Power Chargers \$15
- Water bottles \$15
- T-shirts \$10

If interested, please send along an email to jmchugh@scarboroughschools.org
We will arrange for a safe and proper payment/ pickup method.

Accepting cash and checks (made payable to Scarborough High School)



Learning Commons News

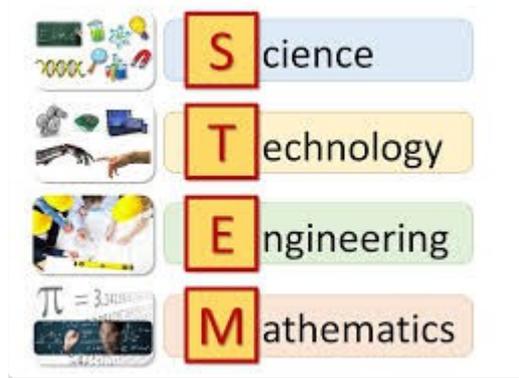
SHS Learning Commons works to keep learning!

<p>SHS Digital COVID-19 Time Capsule We are living through a remarkable time in history that deserves to be memorialized.</p> <p>SHS 2020-2021 Community Digital Reflections: Living during a Global Pandemic: COVID-19 Click this image to submit your digital contribution & watch for our LC Website submissions display.</p> <p>Questions? Contact Mr. Dupree</p>  <p>We will be collecting digital submissions from students through guided questions throughout the school year.</p> <p>Submit your unique experience to our project!</p>	<p>Winners SHS Learning Commons Fall 2020 5 Book Challenge</p> <p>1st Prize <u>Liam Marshall</u> 2nd Prize <u>Andie Giraso</u> 3rd Prize <u>Ben Dunfee</u></p>  <p>Our Fall Winners received a book and gift certificate to Nonesuch Books for completing the challenge</p> <p>Watch for our Spring Book Challenge with new Reading Categories</p>
<p><i>The more you Read, the more you Know. The more you Know, the more you Think!</i></p> <p>Coming Soon</p> <p>SHS LC Spring 2021</p> <p>5 Book Challenge</p>  <p>February 1st - May 31st 2021</p> <p>Watch for the NEW Classroom Code</p> <p>You'll Find News on the Spring Book Challenge on the SHS LC website on our Books & Book Stuff Tab</p>	<p>SHS Learning Commons</p> <p>Theme of the Month</p> <p>What is Technology Literacy?</p>  <p>... the ability to use, manage, evaluate, and understand technology</p> <p>Each month we feature an Academic Discipline from the SHS school Curriculum January is Technology</p> <p>Technology Literacy empowers creators & users alike with the nature, behavior, & power of technology in our World!</p>

This Month In STEM

Intro to Engineering students will be working with Leesa Joiner and Kerry Kertes to design and create cell phone holders. Students will use "Illustrator App" to design their holder then use the school laser printer to create their own cell phone holders. After the design process is completed, Jon McHugh will direct the students in marketing ideas and cost analysis.

Environmental and Civil Engineering Students will be competing in the Tower Design Challenge underwritten by Fluor: A Global engineering and Construction Company. Students must build the highest tower possible then hold a defined mass for a predetermined period of time. If successful, the students final written report will be submitted to Fluor for evaluation and awards. If a student design is accepted, a grant will be given to SHS in their name.



Career Pathways Program

What's Happening in Career Pathways?

The Career Pathways Program has added virtual forums and workshops to the opportunities students can do to explore career interests. Covering fields ranging from medical and global health, to architecture, engineering and product design, SHS students have met via Zoom with professionals to learn more about their paths, education, work and training.

Despite more limited opportunities, our in-person connections for students have continued too, including job shadows, informational interviews and internships. Mentors are the heart of this program, and we are grateful to the following partners who have welcomed our students for an hour, a day or a semester.

- Advanced Physical Therapy, Scarborough
- Aristelle Boutique
- Bates Mill Dermatology
- Blue Point School
- Chiropractic Family Wellness Center
- Great Falls Construction
- Jones & Warren, PA
- Lucas Real Estate
- MedCOR Pro
- MEND Health & Wellness of Maine
- New England Realty Group
- Portland Regency Hotel & Spa
- SHS Functional Life Skills Department
- TGK Athletics
- Toni's Touch Hair Salon
- Wentworth Elementary School

Global Health and Infectious Disease Series

February 24 - April 15, 2021 - Wednesdays 2:00-3:30pm on Zoom

Led by Jon Russell SHS Alum (2007)

Research Scientist at the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Join us to learn how different infectious diseases impact the human body and discover what work is being done across diverse fields to address the many challenges faced in Global Health (fields like Genomics, Data Science, Climate Science, and Immunology). We will focus on diseases like Malaria, Tuberculosis, HIV, Diarrheal Diseases and discuss how Scientists, Engineers, and Policy Makers develop and deliver tools to combat these diseases and improve health around the world.

Registration will open on February 10th. Space is limited! FMI: Christy Zavasnik,

czavasnik@scarboroughschools.org



Olivia Martel with mentor Jeff Jones, Attorney at Jones & Warren, PA



Sydney Clough with mentor Ashley Tucci, Owner of Aristelle Boutique



Sydney Clough



Sam Letarte with mentor Keith Kitchin, Physical Education Teacher, Wentworth School



Sam Letarte



Parent-Teacher Conferences



Thursday March 11th from 2:45-7:15

Thursday March 25th from 2:45-5:15

The parent portal to schedule conferences will open on February 24 at 6 am. Families may use this link to schedule their conferences.

<https://scarboroughschools.schoolsoft.com/login>

More details will be provided as we draw closer to conference time.

SAT Exams March 24, 2021

SAT Exams for Juniors

Scarborough High School will be a testing site for SATs for our Junior students on Wednesday, March 24th. Even though the state is no longer funding these exams, SPS will cover the cost for this spring's SATs. The registration deadline for the March 24 exam is January 29.

Student Services will take care of registering all of our juniors and they will be reaching out to students with information about these exams. So, no action is needed from the homefront at this time

Pre-Order a Yearbook Now!

Pre-order a yearbook now for the lowest price of the year - \$65 at ybpay.com

There is still time to recognize your 2021 graduate with a Senior Parent Ad - go to ybpay.com to purchase and create an ad. If you have any questions or would like the yearbook class to create one for you reach out to Eric Huntington at ehuntington@scarboroughschools.org



Photo by Mathieu Stern on Unsplash

Getting a Leg Up on Planning and Paying for Higher Education

[Getting a Leg Up on Planning and Paying for Higher Education](#)

Presented by Town and Country Federal Credit Union

Wed, February 24, 2021, 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM EST

About

It's never too early to start thinking about how to afford higher education. The good news is, there are steps families can take even before high school that make affording education after high school much easier. During this session, you'll learn some tips and strategies, both financial and non-financial, that can lead to more financing options, and allow middle and high school families to feel prepared and confident when planning for their child's education after high school.

Speakers:

Mary Dyer, Financial Education Officer, Finance Authority of Maine (FAME) and President of Maine Jump\$tart Coalition

Mila Tappan, College Access and Outreach Manager, Finance Authority of Maine (FAME)

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Quarter 3 Red-White Calendar

FEBRUARY				
1 Red 2 In Person: A Remote: B, C	2 White 2 In Person: A Remote: B, C	3 Red 1 Remote: A, B, C	4 Red 2 In Person: B Remote: A, C	5 White 2 In Person: B Remote: A, C
8 Red 1 In Person: A Remote: B, C	9 White 1 In Person: A Remote: B, C	10 White 1 Remote: A, B, C	11 Red 1 In Person: B Remote: A, C	12 White 1 In Person: B Remote: A, C
15 No School - Vacation	16 No School - Vacation	17 No School - Vacation	18 No School - Vacation	19 No School - Vacation
22 Red 2 In Person: A Remote: B, C	23 White 2 In Person: A Remote: B, C	24 Red 2 Remote: A, B, C	25 Red 2 In Person: B Remote: A, C	26 White 2 In Person: B Remote: A, C
MARCH				
1 Red 1 In Person: A Remote: B, C	2 White 1 In Person: A Remote: B, C	3 White 2 Remote: A, B, C	4 Red 1 In Person: B Remote: A, C	5 White 1 In Person: B Remote: A, C
8 Red 2 In Person: A Remote: B, C	9 White 2 In Person: A Remote: B, C	10 Red 1 Remote: A, B, C	11 Red 2 In Person: B Remote: A, C	12 White 2 In Person: B Remote: A, C
15 Red 1 In Person: A Remote: B, C	16 White 1 In Person: A Remote: B, C	17 White 1 Remote: A, B, C	18 Red 1 In Person: B Remote: A, C	19 White 1 In Person: B Remote: A, C
22 Red 2 In Person: A Remote: B, C	23 White 2 In Person: A Remote: B, C	24 Red 2 Remote: A, B, C	25 Red 2 In Person: B Remote: A, C	26 White 2 In Person: B Remote: A, C
29 Red 1 In Person: A Remote: B, C	30 White 1 In Person: A Remote: B, C	31 White 2 Remote: A, B, C	<i>Apr 1</i>	<i>Apr 2</i>
APRIL				
<i>Mar 29</i>	<i>Mar 30</i>	<i>Mar 31</i>	1 Red 1 In Person: B Remote: A, C	2 White 1 In Person: B Remote: A, C **Q3 Ends**

Course Registration Process/Timeline for 2021-2022 School Year

High School Process:

Jan.22: End of Quarter 2/Semester 1

TBD: WRVC/PATHS Presentation

Feb.15-19: School Vacation

March 11: HS Parent/Teacher Conferences

March 25: HS Parent/Teacher Conferences

April 2: End of Quarter 3

April 5-9: Academic Counseling: HS teachers and students. Talk to each class about general recommendations for the next year (ex. English 9-3 would likely be recommended for English 10-3) and then meet with individual students that would have an individual recommendation (ex. Up a level or down a level). The hope is that this will be more efficient use of class time.

April 19-23: School vacation

April 26-30: HS Counselors assist students with online course registration process

April 30: HS Online course Registration Closed

May 3: Print student requests and course /selection needs

May 3: Complete course request data for each content area

May 5-7: Teacher review and flag concerns

May 10-14: Counselors work with flagged students on schedule changes

May 10: Course registration data to HS Dept. Heads

May 10-14: Principal meets with Dept. Heads to review course/section numbers

May 17-21: Begin creation of Master Schedule

May 28: Master Schedule completed

June 1-4: Distribute student schedules for Fall 2021 without teacher names

June 1-17: Counselors work with students on schedule adjustments

June 14: Reconsideration forms due to Principal



Photo by Jon Tyson on Unsplash

