

Scarborough Public Schools

Weekly Newsletter October 2, 2020



New Page on the Web for All District Communications

In our ongoing efforts to further communication, we have expanded our district website to include a **District Communications** page. As we move forward, all copies of district level communications, including archived copies of these newsletters with key terms as well as past letters from Central Office, will be added to this site to increase the ease of referencing information that has been previously shared. The new page can be referenced from going to the black sidebar on the left of the page under "Central Office" or by directly going to <http://www.scarboroughschools.org/central-office/sps-district-communications>. A screenshot is included below for your reference.



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District Communications

This page of our website will be used to keep staff, students and families up-to-date on all district communications. All of the weekly District Newsletters will be archived here for easy access. We will also post any other important communications on this page.

[September 11, 2020 SPS Newsletter](#) Ok - Sep 29, 2020, 12:09 PM by Kelly Johnston (x1)

Highlights of this newsletter include - information for ordering FREE student breakfasts and lunches, the required and daily Student Health Self Assessment questions and updated materials on Face Covering Requirements.

[September 18, 2020 SPS Newsletter](#) Ok - Sep 29, 2020, 12:12 PM by Kelly Johnston (x1)

This edition includes the dates and times for the flu shot clinics for each school, a resource guide to assist with remote learning and updated information for out-of-state travel.

[September 25, 2020 SPS Newsletter](#) Ok - Sep 30, 2020, 9:55 AM by Kelly Johnston (x1)

A very important Parent FAQ is included in this newsletter. Also in this edition under the "Curriculum Updates" you will find some valuable materials that address the social and emotional learning for students.

Showing 3 files from page [Archived SPS Newsletters](#).

Subpages (1): [Archived SPS Newsletters](#)

From the Superintendent

You will find the latest message from Superintendent Prince in the box below. In the future, you will also find archived messages from previous weeks in this same box. Please contact the Superintendent's Office at (207) 730-4100 or superintendent@scarboroughschools.org with questions or suggestions.



Message from the Superintendent 10.2.2020.pdf

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Curriculum Updates

As we step into October, our staff are designing instruction around our essential learning goals for the year while also continuing to focus on providing safe and inclusive learning environments.



Leveraging federal grant funds: We have 37 SPS staff from all schools participating in Maine's Cultural Competence Institute, a series of 8 monthly evening webinars. The first session was titled, "Building Cultural Building Blocks," where one activity included a discussion around the video: [The Danger of a Single Story](#). The title of the October session is "Creating Brave Space for Courageous Conversations About Race."

We hope you will join us in addressing anxiety: On November 4 from 6:00pm - 7:30pm a live webinar event titled, "NOW What? Helping Children (and Parents) Manage Emotionally During Uncertain Times" will be presented by [Lynn Lyons](#). More information will be provided in the coming weeks.



Upcoming SPS Events - Mark Your Calendar!

[SPS Calendar](#)

- **October 8** - Virtual Parent-Teacher Conferences - Scarborough High School
- **October 9** - No School - Staff Development Day
- **October 12** - No School - Indigenous People's Day
- **October 14 at 6:00 p.m.** - Wentworth School Virtual Open House
- **October 15 at 6:00 p.m.** - School Board Virtual Workshop
- **October 15 at 7:00 p.m.** - School Board Virtual Meeting
- **October 22** - Virtual Parent -Teacher Conferences - Scarborough High School

Did You Know...

- Our current total enrollment is 2,928 students. Of that, there are currently 399 students enrolled in 100% remote learning.
- Through collaboration with Scarborough Public Schools and a grant from the Maine Department of Education, Scarborough Community Services has been able to secure the former House of Lights in Scarborough for full day care for students in grades K-6 on their remote learning days. Scarborough Public Schools has either loaned or donated chairs and desks, tables, shelving, cubbies, plexiglass shields, and lighting.



Health and Safety Reminders

Please remember to review [the required Student Health Self Assessment](#) each morning before sending your child to school. By all of us doing so, we can keep one another safe and reduce the rate of possible transmission.

**DON'T FEEL WELL?
STAY HOME WHEN YOU ARE SICK**

Tell your mom, dad, or caregiver before you come to school. Tell your teacher or an adult if you become sick at school

cough Shortness of breath or problem breathing chills

sore throat loss of taste or smell muscle pain

OTHER SYMPTOMS INCLUDE:

fever, runny nose, diarrhea, feeling nauseous or vomiting, feeling tired, headache, and poor appetite

[cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)



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Wentworth



Middle School



High School

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Tech Support

For technology assistance with SPS student laptops, please send a message to techsupport@scarboroughschools.org and someone from Technology will be in touch to assist you.



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