

Scarborough Public Schools

March 10, 2023

Message from the Superintendent

To the Scarborough Schools Community:

Welcome to winter in March! Here are some highlights and important things that are going on now and in the week to come:



ENROLLMENT STUDY:

At last week's Board of Education meeting Rebecca Wandell from Wandell Consulting presented slides summarizing a 100+ page analysis of historical, current, and future enrollment trends for the town of Scarborough that encompasses a time period from 2012 to a projected future date of 2032. The study takes into account as many factors that contribute to school enrollment as possible. These factors include resident birth data (historical, current, and projected), new housing unit development planning, grade to grade in-migration trends, and pre-school in-migration trends/data. The full report, slides, and video of Rebecca's presentation is available when you access the [building project webpage](#), a prominent button on the home page of the SPS website.

Rebecca's detailed and informative presentation and enrollment projections provide a thorough analysis of current and future trends that will impact our schools. The study provides compelling evidence to suggest K-12 school enrollment will grow significantly over the next ten years, and the **first wave of this enrollment growth will most likely be experienced at our youngest grades, K-2. THIS MEANS WE MUST ADDRESS OUR CAPACITY AND FACILITY NEEDS NOW!** The enrollment study underscores the need for our strategic K-8 project and new unified primary school. Please click on the links to our webpage to learn more about this project and why now is the time to invest in the future of Scarborough Schools!

BOARD OF EDUCATION & LEADERSHIP COUNCIL WORKSHOPS:

The Leadership Council will be presenting our [FY24 budget](#) proposal to the Board of Education in two scheduled budget workshops: Part I on Monday, March 13th from 4:30-7pm, and Part II on Wednesday, March 15th from 8:30-11 am. These workshops will be streamed, recorded, and posted to our webpage for the public. The complete budget proposal, including my introductory message, executive summary, school operating budget, department reports, and school capital budget, is now available on the [budget page](#) of our website for staff and the public to review. We are looking forward

to presenting our budget priorities and sharing the hard work that has been done to put together a thoughtful proposal putting the needs of our students, families, and staff first. Thank you for supporting Scarborough Schools and providing feedback throughout the budget development process. It is much appreciated!

Kind Regards,
Geoff Bruno
Superintendent of Schools



[Children's book about ...](#)

www.newscentermaine.com

"A Dog & His Boy" is a heartwarming story about friendship with no limits. SCARBOROUGH, Maine - A unique bond between a young man with special needs and his life-sized stuffed dog is coming to life on the pages of a children's book.

Thank you to Scarborough Education Foundation and the HS Buddy System!

Scarborough High School's Buddy System, with financial support from the Scarborough Education Foundation, is sponsoring an incredible learning opportunity at all 3 of our K-2 schools. The clip above tells more about the presentation by the author of "A Dog and His Boy" that our Pleasant Hill students enjoyed this week. Our HS students represented SHS beautifully and were outstanding models of true, inclusive friendships. Our K-2 students were insightful and engaged! Looking forward to the next visits at our other K-2 Schools soon!

Blue Point School 3/15/23 @ 1:45

Eight Corners School 3/22/23 @ 10:45

Junior Achievement Day at Eight Corners!

Volunteers from Junior Achievement (JA) visited Eight Corners School today and shared lessons and programs with eager and excited 2nd graders! The volunteers were from UNUM and Central Maine Power. Thank you JA!





SPS Curriculum Director Search Team

If you would like to be considered as part of the SPS Curriculum Director Search Team, please complete the following survey and be sure to respond no later than **March 13th**.

[SPS Curriculum Director Search Team Survey](#)

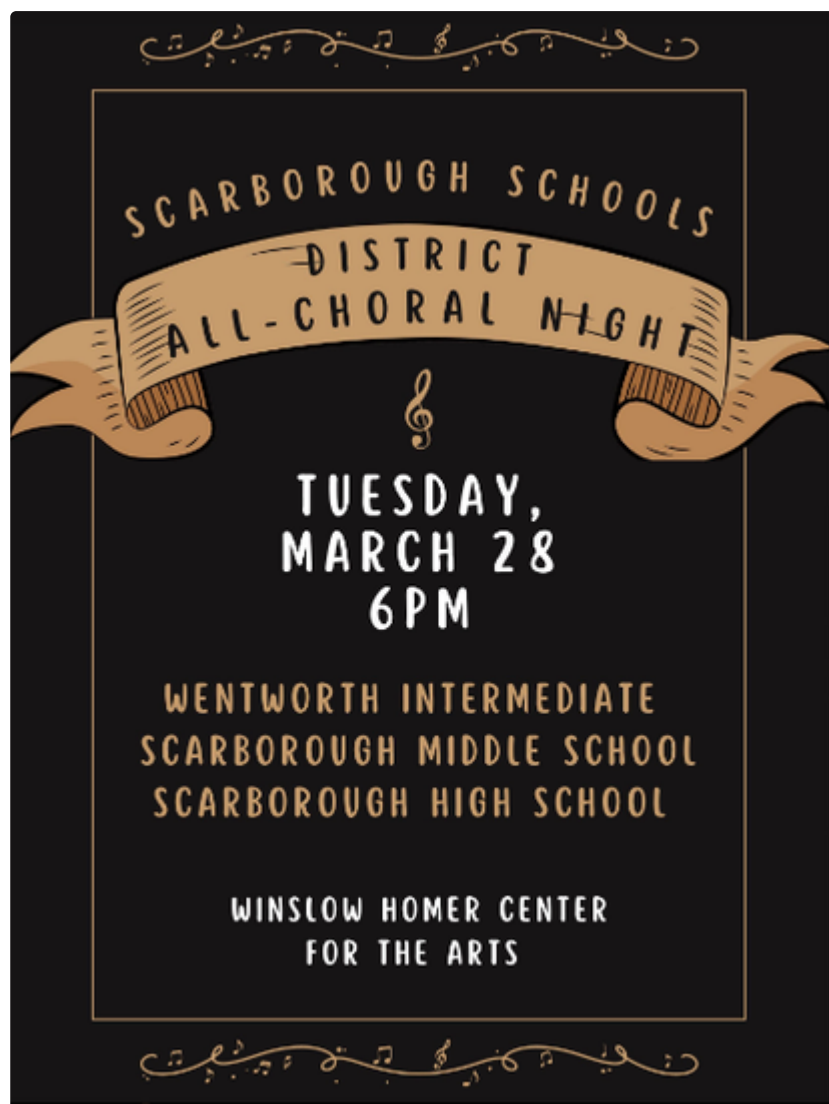
SPS Building Committee Opening!

Looking for 1 Full Building Committee member! [Let us know about your interest here!](#)

Contact us with any building related questions via the project website.

Follow us on Facebook and share posts:

<https://www.facebook.com/ScarboroughSchoolsBuildingProject>



All District Chorus Night - March 28

You won't want to miss this inaugural event on Tuesday, March 28 at 6:00pm. Students from grades 3-12 will entertain you with their musical talents! If you are not able to make it in-person, please check it out livestream: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cNO6SxKoxm0>



2023-2024 Kindergarten Registration NOW OPEN!

We are eager to welcome our newest students to Scarborough Public Schools for Kindergarten in Fall, 2023.

- Kindergarten is open to any student who **turns 5 on or before Oct. 15, 2023.**
- If your child meets this criteria, and you are sending them to school in the fall, please complete the form linked here: [REGISTRATION FORM](#)
- If your child meets the age requirement, but you are on the fence about sending them due to their age or developmental level, please complete the [REGISTRATION FORM](#) anyway. This will help us plan for all potential students.
- Appointments will be scheduled later this spring in each of our schools to review paperwork, including notarization of residency.
- If your child has specific health concerns, you can call or set up an appointment with one of our school nurses at any time.
- More information will be provided throughout the spring!

[Click here to bring you to the registration page.](#)



SPS Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee Openings!

Looking for 2 SPS staff and 2 community members (do not need to be parents!). [Apply here!](#)

Here is more information on the DEI Committee:

Scarborough Schools are committed to creating a welcoming and safe environment for all Scarborough students and staff. The Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee will promote the goal of diversity, equity and inclusion for all individuals in our school district regardless of their identity (ie race, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, religion, disability, or socioeconomic status).

The charge of the committee is to:

- work with the Board finance committee to assess budgetary needs;
- review data collected from climate surveys, school equity audits, and listening tours;
- raise awareness, within the committee, of work happening in the district within the boundaries of the board's existing policies;
- make recommendations to the Board of Education for the development of an action plan that outlines next steps for our district;
- monitor action plan progress to ensure that action steps are in line with actual needs.

We would love your participation and expertise! Our upcoming meetings are 5:30pm-7pm at SHS on the following Tuesdays: March 21, April 11, May 2, May 23, and June 13.

Contact us with any DEI related questions via our committee email:

dei@scarboroughschools.org.

Check out our site on the district webpage [here](#).

Our next DEI Steering Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 21 at 5:30pm in the Scarborough High School AP Room or on <https://scarboroughschools.zoom.us/j/91947811217>

What to do in Scarborough?

For upcoming Scarborough community events, be sure to check out [Scarborough's Community Services website](#) and follow them on FaceBook.





THE GYM DANDIES

42nd ANNUAL COMMUNITY PERFORMANCE

FRIDAY, MARCH 3RD
6:30 PM

SUNDAY, MARCH 12TH
2:30 PM & 6:30 PM

WENTWORTH GYM
20 QUENTIN DRIVE

Adults \$6
Students & Seniors \$5



Doors open 30 minutes before show time

WWW.GYMDANDIES.ORG



Scarborough Public Schools

Support Staff Employment Application

SCARBOROUGH PUBLIC SCHOOLS DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE IN THE OBTAINING OF ITS EDUCATIONAL AND EMPLOYMENT POLICIES AND WILL HONOR ALL APPLICABLE LAWS RELATIVE TO DISCRIMINATION.

Name	First	Middle	Last
Address	Physical		Street/City/Code
Cellphone	Home		
Date of Application	<input type="checkbox"/> Custodian <input type="checkbox"/> Educational Technician (Student Support) <input type="checkbox"/> Substitute <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation Department (Bus Driver) <input type="checkbox"/> Support Department (School Assistant, Cook, Baker)		

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND - It is essential that this section be completed accurately. Official transcripts, including grades, from all post-secondary institutions must be provided to verify accuracy.

Name of School and Location	Years Attended	Grade Completed	Year of Graduation
High School			
Trade School			
College			
Other			

WORK EXPERIENCE - It is essential that this section be completed accurately. List names of all previous employers and dates of employment. An official employment verification you have worked for must be listed. In addition, list any other employers you have worked for in the past ten years.

Current Employer			
Address			
Department Name			
Department Telephone Number			
Department Street Address			
Dates Employed	From	To	
Employer Status	Full	Part	

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Now Hiring!

We are in need of staff for a few key areas!

Please consider joining our team for the following positions:

- Custodians **HIRING BONUS!**
- Food Service workers
- Bus Drivers & Bus Aides
- Educational Technicians in our Special Services Department **HIRING BONUS!**
- Substitutes: starting at \$130/day - *flexible schedules according to your availability!*

In an effort to make applying for a position with SPS more accessible, in addition to our online application, we are now offering a paper application for those who can't access our applications via the Internet. If you (or anyone you know) would like to apply for one of our Support Staff positions (listed above) and would prefer a paper application, please [use this link](#) to download a copy, or stop by our Central Office (Scarborough Town Hall, 259 US Route 1) to pick up an application. Once completed, return it to our Central Office for consideration.

As always, if you have any questions regarding any of our open positions, or our application process, please call our Central Office at (207) 730-4100.

For a complete list of open positions, please visit our website at <https://www.scarboroughschools.org/employment-opportunities>



Upcoming SPS Events - Mark Your Calendar!

[2022-2023 School Calendar](#)

- March 13 - School Board/Leadership Council FY24 Budget Workshop - Session #1
- March 15 - School Board/Leadership Council FY24 Budget Workshop - Session #2
- March 16 - School Board Workshop/Business Meeting
- March 17 - Staff Day ONLY - No School for Students
- March 21 - Incoming 3rd Grade Parent Night at Wentworth School
- March 29 - Incoming 6th Grade Presentation - Middle School

Links to Our Schools



Blue Point



Eight Corners



Pleasant Hill



Wentworth School



Middle School



High School

[Spec. Services](#) | Chris Rohde, crohde@scarboroughschools.org

[Transportation](#) | Sarah Redmond, sredmond@scarboroughschools.org

[Food Services](#) | Peter Esposito, pesposito@scarboroughschools.org

[Athletics & Activities](#) | Mike LeGage, mlegage@scarboroughschools.org

[Curriculum](#) | Monique Culbertson,
mculbertson@scarboroughschools.org

[Facilities](#) | Todd Jepson, tjepson@scarboroughschools.org





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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 259 U.S. Route 1, Scarborough, ...  (207) 730-4100

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