

Scarborough Public Schools

March 17, 2023

2023-2024 School Calendar

The 2023-2024 School Calendar was approved by the School Board at their March 16th meeting. Also approved at the meeting was the number of traditional "snow days" for the 2023-2024 school year. Next year's calendar will allow for up to three "traditional snow days" (or any type of no school days). If more than the allotted three days are needed, those days will be asynchronous remote learning days. Therefore, the latest possible in-person school day for 2023-2024 (if 3 days are used) will be June 14, 2024.



The 2023-2024 school calendar can be found [here](#).



FY24 School Budget - Ways to Get Informed

The first reading of the [FY24 school budget](#) was approved by the School Board at their March 16, 2023 meeting. At the March 29th Town Council meeting, there will be a joint FY24 budget presentation given by Town Manager, Tom Hall, and Superintendent, Geoff Bruno. The 2nd reading of the FY24 school budget and Board approval is set for May 4th. There are several upcoming opportunities for the community to review/comment on the FY24 proposed budget. A complete schedule of all of the FY24 budget meetings/presentations are included [in this schedule](#). As a reminder, all meetings are available in person, for viewing/participating on Zoom, or for live or recording viewing on the Scarborough Schools' YouTube channel, For more information, please visit the "Budget" page of our website found under the "School Board" section.



Upcoming Policies for Review

The next Board of Education Policy Subcommittee Meeting will be on Monday, March 20 from 4:30-6:00pm in the Central Office Conference Room. The policy being discussed is:

- Transgender and Gender Expansive Students

We welcome all to attend remotely or in person. Please see the school website to locate the agenda, linked policies, zoom link and for more information



[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

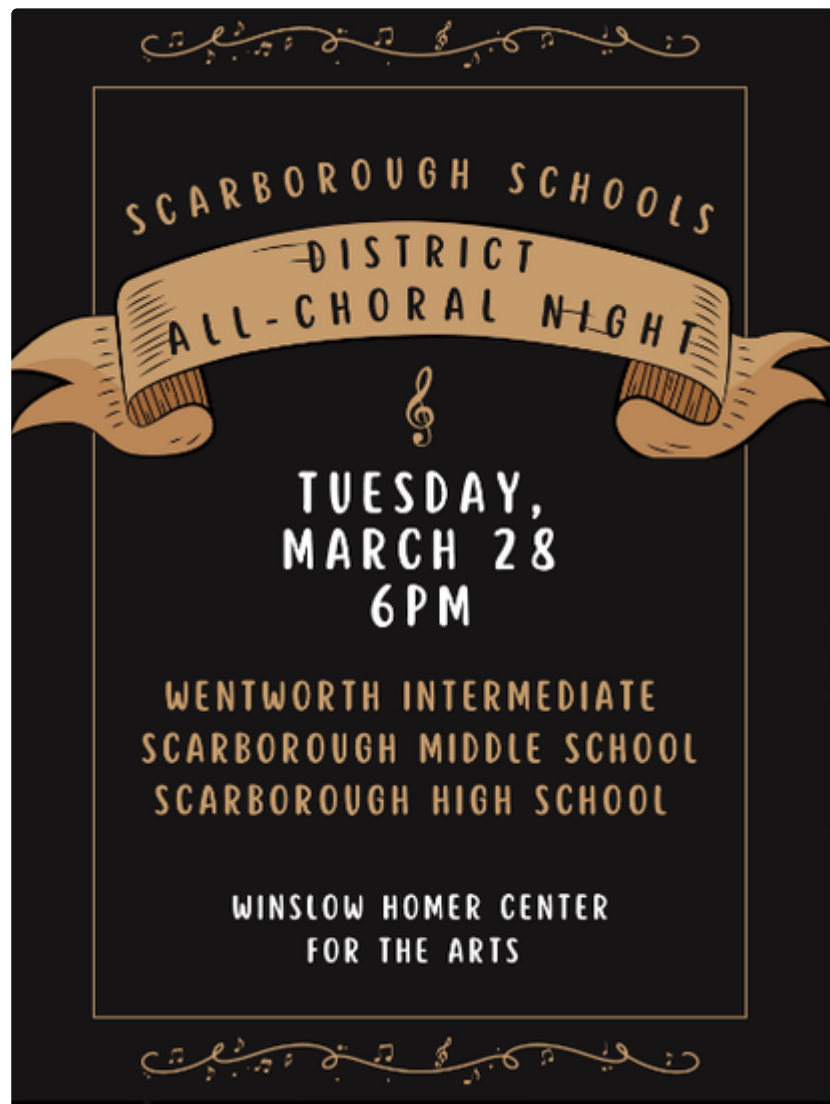
SPS Building Committee Opening!

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>



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>

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.





Upcoming SPS Events - Mark Your Calendar!

[2022-2023 School Calendar](#)

- March 21 - Incoming 3rd Grade Parent Night at Wentworth School
- March 28, 2023 - SPS Building Committee Meeting
- March 28, 2023 - All District Choral Night
- March 29 - Incoming 6th Grade Presentation - Middle School
- March 29 - FY24 Budget Presentation - Town Manager & Superintendent - 7:00PM - Town Hall
- April 5 - Early Release Day*

*Early Release Times:

K-5: 1:45PM

6-12: 12:55PM

Links to Our Schools



Blue Point



Eight Corners



Pleasant Hill



Wentworth School



Middle School



High School

Services & Information

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

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

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

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

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