

Scarborough Public Schools

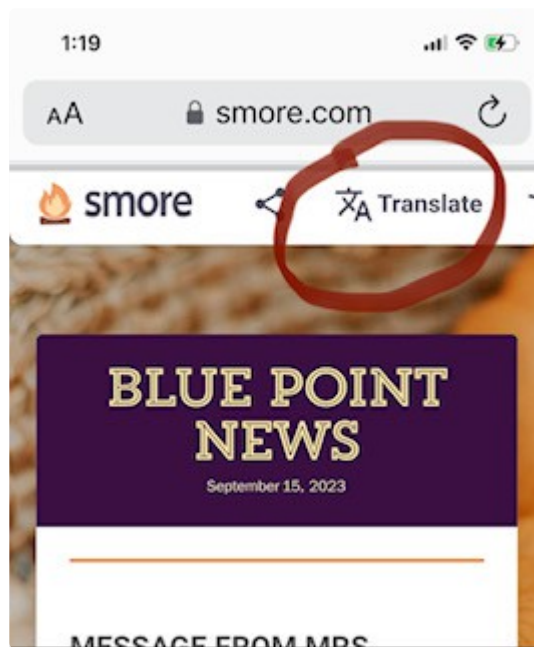
September 15, 2023

Read This in Multiple Languages!!!



If you look at the embedded photo above which shows you what our newsletters look like when you open them on a computer, you will see that **every newsletter we send has the ability to translate to 90 languages!!!** Harnessing the power of translation tools in Smore is an essential step in making sure ALL of our families are included and have the most up to date information.

The picture below shows the translate feature on a mobile device.



What to Expect When Visiting Our Schools

For those new to the district, Scarborough Public Schools uses Raptor Visitor Management System in all of our schools to strengthen our program of campus safety for students and staff. Part of keeping students and staff safe is knowing who is in our buildings at all times, and the Raptor system allows us to do that. The Raptor system assists in screening visitors, contractors, and volunteers in our schools and provides a safer environment for our students and staff.

What to Expect:

- Upon being allowed through the exterior door of a district building and navigating to the main office, visitors will be asked to present a photo ID such as a driver's license.
- Your ID will either be scanned or manually entered into the system by office personnel at the transaction window.
- Once cleared, you will receive a pre-printed badge with your photo on it.
- You will then be directed to the appropriate location that you are going to.
- This badge must be worn at all times when in the building.
- When in the building, please remember that you are only approved to go to the specific location requested. You should not go to any other area of the building without returning to the main office for approval.
- When leaving the building, return to the main office and sign out with office personnel.

What does the Raptor System do?

- The Raptor system checks to ensure that registered sex offenders are not entering our school campuses without our knowledge. It checks the visitor's name and date of birth for comparison with a national database of registered sex offenders. **The registered sex offender database is the only official database. No other data from the ID is gathered or recorded, and the information is not shared with any outside agency.**
- The Raptor system will also check for any court issued custodial orders, restraining orders and other custom alerts as established by the School District.
- Once entry is approved, a badge that identifies the visitor, the date, and the purpose of his/her visit will be printed and given to the visitor to wear.

The safety of our students is our highest priority, and the Raptor visitor management system allows us to quickly identify those that may present a danger to our students. Thank you in advance for your understanding and your support in enhancing the school safety protocols in our district.

If you have questions about the K-8 Strategic Solution, tune in or stop by September 19th's Q&A Session

On September 19, 2023 in the Town Hall's Council Chambers A, the Building Committee will be holding their 5th Q&A Session. The theme this week is Investment/Long-Term. There is also a Zoom link if you are not able to attend in person.



<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84408049281?pwd=L1o5TnltdVEvVXgxTWdLeG16Slc2UT09>

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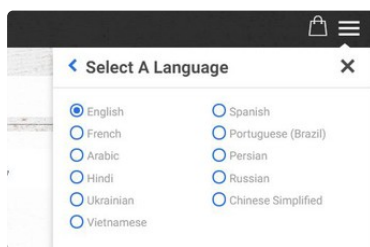
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A Message from our Health Department

ILLNESS: Students who have symptoms of respiratory or gastrointestinal infections, such as cough, fever (**being 100.4 or above**), sore throat, vomiting, or diarrhea, should stay home. **Students need to be free from fever, vomiting, and diarrhea for 24 hours without fever-reducing medication before returning to school.**



The CDC recommends COVID-19 testing for individuals with [symptoms of COVID](#). If an individual tests positive for COVID, the CDC recommendation is that they stay at home for five days **after the first day of symptoms or positive test** and wear a well-fitting mask in public on days 6–10.



News from the SPS Nutrition Department about Nutrislice

The Nutrislice technology that provides all of your child/ren's school digital menus, can now be translated into a number of different languages. Ukrainian and French to name a few.

Community Bulletin Board

Don't forget to check out the [Community Bulletin Board](#). Lots of great community information to view:

Scarborough Public Library

Girls Scouts

2023 Adult Education Fall Catalog



and much more!



Words to Live By...

"Just one small positive thought in the morning can change your whole day." Dalia Lama

Upcoming SPS Events - Mark Your Calendar!

[2023-2024 School Calendar](#)

- September 19th - K-8 Strategic Solution Q & A Session at the Town Hall (6-7:00pm)
- September 20th - High School Open House (6-8:30pm)
- September 20th - K-2 Schools (Each K-2 School's Open House is from 5-6:00pm)



September Open Houses!

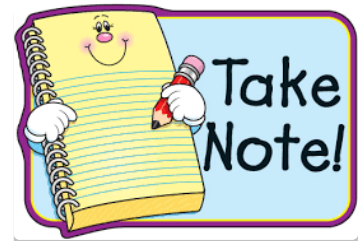
Here are the dates for each school's planned Open House (High School and K-2 Schools are listed above). We are excited to be welcoming all families to our schools this fall and hope you can plan to attend these evening events!

Wentworth: September 27



IMPORTANT FOR ALL PARENTS.... PLEASE ADD TO YOUR TO-DO LIST!

It is time for all families to log into your student's PowerSchool Portal account to update your information and fill out all necessary forms online.



The system allows you to update all of your personal information including phone numbers, address, emergency contacts, etc. It also enables you to electronically acknowledge and sign all of the forms for the start of the year, such as the annual permission forms for Technology, School Handbooks, Field Trips, photo permissions, etc.

Login to your PowerSchool parent portal account at [https://https://scarborough.powerschool.com/public](https://scarborough.powerschool.com/public)



Forms

Once you are connected to your students and logged into the Parent Portal, you will see a new Forms button on the navigation bar. Click this button to view a list of forms available for you to complete for each of your students. The 2023-24 Chromebook form is available now, and many more forms will be added as the new school year opens. These forms, as described above, are ones would have been in paper packets in the past.

Please reach out to your school if you need assistance accessing the forms, or need paper copies sent to you instead.



Links to Our Schools



Blue Point



Eight Corners



Pleasant Hill



Wentworth School



Middle School



High School

Services & Information

[Transportation](#) | Sarah Redmond, sredmond@scarboroughschools.org
[Food Services](#) | Peter Esposito, pesposito@scarboroughschools.org
[Athletics & Activities](#) | Mike LeGage, mlegage@scarboroughschools.org
[Curriculum](#) | Katie Vetro, kbvetro@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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