



Scarborough Public Schools

March 8, 2024

**Celebrate Our Unified Programs' National Recognition
Tonight at 6:00pm!!!**



FREE admission tonight, March 8!!!

SCARBOROUGH HIGH SCHOOL and SCARBOROUGH MIDDLE SCHOOL have been recognized NATIONALLY as UNIFIED CHAMPION SCHOOLS! The award is in recognition of the inclusive opportunities that have been created with Unified Club at the MS, Unified Basketball at both the MS and HS, and Unified Bocce and Volleyball at the HS! Our 2 schools are among only 5 that were selected in the state of Maine!!!

Come join the community-wide celebration on FRIDAY, MARCH 8th, 6PM-8PM at the SHS gym. SCARBOROUGH UNIFIED BASKETBALL TEAMS will be playing against Scarborough Fire Department, Scarborough Police Department, Scarborough MS and HS Staff, and Scarborough Parents in a basketball round robin. Both NATIONAL BANNERS will be unveiled as part of the evening's celebration and fun! All families, students, and community members are encouraged to attend!

Schedule of Events!

6:00pm - Celebration Kick Off - SHS main entrance

Unified Team Members will have a police and fire escort to the school!!!!

6:15pm - SMS Unified vs SMS Parents

6:30pm - SHS Unified vs Fire Dept

6:45pm - SMS Unified vs SMS Teachers

7:00pm - **Banner Presentation**

7:15pm - SHS Unified vs SHS Parents

7:30pm - SMS Unified vs Police Dept

7:45pm - SHS Unified vs SHS Teachers

2024-2025 School Calendar



March 7, 2024 the School Board approved the 24-25 [school calendar](#).

NEW CDC Recommendations

NEW CDC Recommendations For Return Following Respiratory Illnesses Including COVID-19

The recommendations, as of March 1, 2024, suggest returning to normal activities when, for at least 24 hours:

- symptoms are improving overall
- if a fever was present, it has been gone without use of a fever-reducing medication (ie: Ibuprofen/Motrin or Acetaminophen/Tylenol)



Upon return to school/activities it is recommended that you do the following for the next 5 days:

- Continue to practice good hand hygiene
- Wear a well fitted mask

If you would like to read more, click here: [CDC Press Release](#)

SMCC Workforce Training

Educator Apprentice Program

Are you interested in becoming an Ed Tech in our schools? Click [here](#) to read about the completely FREE training program through Southern Maine Community College starting August 12, 2024. This program allows you to earn college credits, including your associate's degree, while working as a member of the school staff. For those who are interested in continuing on to a bachelor's degree, USM is working with SMCC to accept the workforce hours as credits.



National SEL Day: March 8, 2024 #SELday



Today's Students, Tomorrow's Leaders

What Is SEL Day?

SEL Day is a global, grassroots campaign for social-emotional learning to support children's academic recovery, mental health, and well-being. Since its inception in 2020, #SELday has reached

over 40 million views. In 2023, over 4,000 SEL champions representing all 50 U.S. states and 87 countries made 11,000 commitments to showcase, promote, advocate, and support SEL.

Click [here](#) to read more

Latest SPS District News

2024-2025 Kindergarten Registration NOW OPEN! Register today!

Kindergarten Registration is now open for the 24-25 school year. Click on this [link](#) for complete instructions. Please share with others you might know in the school community who have children that may be of school age this coming year. Students must reach the age of 5 prior to October 15, 2024 to be eligible for Kindergarten.

kindergarten
REGISTRATION
IS OPEN!

Scarborough Superintendent Search Community Listening Session

The Scarborough School Department has contracted Maine School Management Association to assist with the search for the next Superintendent of Schools. As part of the process the Scarborough Board of Education wishes to seek input from staff and school community stakeholders as to qualities and characteristics you would like to see present in this next superintendent.



On Thursday evening, March 28 at 6 p.m., and again on Monday evening, April 1 at 6 p.m., Steve Bailey of Maine School Management Association will be hosting virtual listening sessions where he will be seeking feedback from Scarborough Community Members. Members of the community who attend will be asked to provide brief answers to five questions related to qualities and skills you feel are important and necessary in the next superintendent for the Scarborough School Department.

Responses will be collected (without names) and collated with responses from all listening sessions and the community survey into a report that will be provided to the Board of Education for their preparation of criteria for interview question development and candidate selection. The listening sessions will be held through Zoom, and each link is provided below. Please click on the link and join the meeting at the designated time. The length of time for this listening session will be no more than one hour. We hope to have a strong turnout for each of the listening sessions, provided at different times to attract as many as can attend. The two will be repetitive, so no need to attend both.

Here are the links to the two meetings:

Scarborough Superintendent Search Community Listening Session **Thursday**, March 28 at 6:00 p.m.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84375676726?pwd=MnFXUDFqUVBELzdIYVFnTjJHWmpPUT09>

Scarborough Superintendent Search Community Listening Session **Monday**, April 1 at 6:00 p.m.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86203424778?pwd=SFc2TXZoTWpnWHd5NEV6VDJmNXyxZz09>

Superintendent Search Update

The deadline is next Friday, March 15th!

The Superintendent hiring process is getting underway, and we need YOU! You can apply before close of business on March 15th by filling out the form in the link below. Please note the required dates of attendance and times as you consider your availability to potentially serve.

Here is the [link](#) to the application.

SUPERINTENDENT HIRING PROCESS

UPDATE

- **Maine School Management Association** selected to conduct the search process
- Interview committee makeup will be:
 - Community members
 - Staff Members
 - Students
 - 3 Board members
- The Board's goal is to hire a new Superintendent by May of 2024.
- Applications to serve on the interview committee will be online March 1st with a deadline of March 15th @ 4pm (see the link above)



Save the dates!

We are hosting 2 Community Forums

Remote Community Forum:
Thursday, March 28 from 6:00-7:30

Remote Community Forum:
Monday, April 1 from 6:00-7:30

Community forums are a great way for
you to come say what qualities you want
to see in our next Superintendent!

Community Bulletin Board Information



Don't forget to check out the [Community Bulletin Board](#). Lots of great community information and community events going on now!

- Race to the Point
- Gym Dandies 43rd Annual Community Performance
- Scarborough's Project Graduation Fundraiser - Spring Mini Sessions
- SCS Newsletter/Park Hop Egg Hunt
- All Town Chorus Concert
- Scarborough Youth Lacrosse Registration
- Scarborough Community Services' Spring 2024 Catalog
- Scarborough Adult Education Winter/Spring Catalog
- Scarborough Education Foundation
- Scarborough Public Library

Upcoming Scarborough Public School Events

Mark Your Calendar!



[2023-2024 School Calendar/2024-2025 School Calendar](#)

- March 8, 2024 - Unified Champion School Celebration at the High School
- March 15, 2024 - SPS Staff Day - No students.
- March 21, 2024 - School Board Workshop and Business Meetings
- March 28, 2024 - Community Forum
- April 1, 2024 - Community Forum
- April 3, 2024 - Early Release Day

Upcoming Early Release Days:

- May 15
- June 5

**Early Release Times:

Grades 6-12: 12:55pm

Grades K-5: 1:45pm

What to do in Scarborough?



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

Let your child know...

"The person who follows the crowd will usually go no further than the crowd. The person who walks alone is likely to find themselves in places no one has ever seen before." – Albert Einstein



Scarborough Public Schools is HIRING!

Scarborough Public Schools is currently hiring. Interested candidates may visit the School District's Employment site for details and application instructions by using this link here:

<https://www.apnlitrack.com/scarborough/OnlineApp/default.aspx>



Scarborough Public Schools

All-Town Chorus Concert

Tuesday, March 19th | 6pm
Winslow Homer Auditorium



Expected to sell out! Reserve your free seat with the QR code above. When we reach capacity, all others will be directed to the livestream. Singers need not reserve a seat!

Scarborough's Adult Education Presentation



Portrait of a Family Through Their Nineteenth Century Letters

Tune into Scarborough's Public Access Channel to view Linda McLoon's presentation of Scarborough Historical Society's , "Portrait of a Family Through Their Nineteenth Century Letters," on March 11, 7 pm on public access channel 2. This journey through Scarborough's Googins family in the nineteenth century highlights major themes in American history. This presentation took place at Scarborough Adult Education on February 27th.

The Roadside Cabins of Scarborough

Linda McLoon's presentation of "The Roadside Cabins of Scarborough" will take place on March 19th, and registration is available here: <https://scarborough.coursetorm.com/course/the-roadside-cabins-of-scarborough?page=2>

All proceeds benefit the Scarborough Historical Society, and Scarborough's Adult Education Program is happy to be partnering with them.

Scarborough Adult Education

Scarborough's Adult Education has sent out their Winter/Spring catalog. Interested in the history of tea, want to "pump up your strength", learn how to make pasta, go to their [website](#) for more information!



Scarborough Primary PTA

RACE 2 THE POINT

Presenting Sponsor:



Register now:



10:30 AM - FREE KIDS FUN RUN
10:45 AM - KIDS ½ MILE RUN
11:00 AM - 5K RUN/WALK

**PROCEEDS BENEFIT:
SCARBOROUGH PRIMARY PTA**

SATURDAY
MARCH 23, 2024
BLUE POINT SCHOOL
174 PINE POINT RD

SPONSORED BY: TREE & STONE DIRECT EFFECT ENTERTAINMENT, THE SCOVILLE FOLEY TEAM AT SIGNATURE HOMES REAL ESTATE, MEASURING UP KITCHEN, FAMILY CHIROPRACTICE ASSOCIATES, LANDRY/FRENCH CONSTRUCTION, MARTIN'S POINT HEALTHCARE, DUNSTAN & OAK HILL ACE HARDWARE, NATHAN GOFF DMD, TOWN & COUNTRY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, SOUTHERN MAINE ORTHODONTICS, RYAN PETIT ELECTRIC, MICHELLE RABER STATE FARM, EDWARD JONES, TRU BRIT REALTY GROUP OF SAXBY, MEEK & COWARD - KELLER WILLIAMS REALTY, EAST YARD CROSSFIT, INFINITE CAPACITY PT, SOUTHERN MAINE ORAL & MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY, & MEPOWERED PASTRIES.

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

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

Tech Support

For technology assistance with SPS student laptops, please visit

<https://tickets.scarboroughschools.org> to open a ticket and someone from Technology will be in touch to assist you.



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