

Scarborough Public Schools

April 5, 2024



Coming Back from Winter Storm and Looking Ahead...

Well, Mother Nature was clear in letting us know there was a bit more winter to squeak in, even though signs of Spring are all around us! Hopefully Central Maine Power will be timely in responding to any of the service disruptions you may have had. Today was a remote learning day, per the approved calendar. For

those of you whose students could not log in for attendance or to get work (at grades 6-12) because of power outages, our schools will keep those links open and so links can be accessed beyond today. Our schools understand that lack of power may have an impact here and will make adjustments accordingly.

We are now heading into the last 4 days of school, before heading into April vacation beginning on Friday. Reminder that on Monday, all Scarborough Schools will be dismissing **students one hour earlier than usual: grades K-5 at 2:15pm, and 6-12 at 1:25pm**. This is in response to a once in a lifetime solar eclipse event that will be at its peak during the normally scheduled dismissal time. Our goal in making this adjustment is to keep all of our students, staff, and families safe, minimize disruption for that day, and provide an opportunity for our kids to experience and learn from this unique astronomical phenomenon.

School Building Advisory Committee (SBAC)



The new School Building Advisory Committee wants your opinion!

The Town of Scarborough is mailing surveys to a randomized sample of addresses across Scarborough. The survey covers a variety of topics related to our public school buildings. Survey consultant ETC Institute will collect and curate the anonymous surveys and provide a report with key findings.

Take the
Survey!

Help plan the future
of Scarborough's
schools.

DIDN'T GET A SURVEY? AN ONLINE VERSION WILL BE AVAILABLE
AT A LATER DATE FOR ANY RESIDENT TO TAKE. STAY TUNED!

Deadline!, 4/12/2024 for Scarborough's Public Pre-K and Enrollment Application



Announcing Scarborough's Public Pre-K and Enrollment Application Process School Year 2024-2025

Scarborough Public Schools will launch a public Pre-K pilot program in the fall of 2024, to include one classroom of 16 students. We seek to serve children from each of our three

neighborhood schools: Blue Point, Eight Corners, and Pleasant Hill. We are extremely fortunate to be partnering with The Shooting Stars Program, located at 152 Rt. 1 in Scarborough. Shooting Stars is a high quality program which has been serving preschoolers for the last 20 years.

For more details, click here or go to the Scarborough Public Schools website.

Scan the QR code to go directly to the application form..







2024-2025 Kindergarten Registration NOW OPEN! Register today!

Kindergarten Registration is now open for the 24-25 school year. Click on this <u>link</u> 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 so we can

plan adequately for the coming year. **With 5 months before school starts, we already have over 170 kindergarteners pre-registered.** Students must reach the age of 5 prior to October 15, 2024 to be eligible for Kindergarten.

FY25 School Budget: Upcoming Meetings- Stay Involved!

The 2nd reading of the <u>FY25 school budget</u> and Board approval is set for May 4th. There are several additional upcoming opportunities for the community to review/comment on the FY25 proposed budget. A complete schedule of all of the FY25 budget meetings/presentations are included in the schedule below. 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.

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3/18, 4:30-7:00 pm: School Board Budget Workshop Part 1 (Leadership Council)				4/3, 5:30 pm: Joint Town Council/ School Board Budget Workshop				5/1, 5:30 pm: Joint Town Council/ School Board Budget Workshop					6/11, 7 am - 8 pm: School Budget Validation Referendum						
3/19, 8:30-11:00 am: School Board Budget Workshop Part 2 (Leadership Council)				4/3, 7:00 pm: Town Council Meeting First Reading of FY25 Budget					5/1, 7:00 pm: Town Council Meeting Public Hearing on FY25 Budget										
3/21, 7:00 pm: School Board Meeting First Reading of FY25 School Budget				4/11, 2:00-7:00 pm: TC Finance Committee Budget Workshop Part 1				5/2, 7:00 pm: School Board Meeting 2nd Reading and Budget Vote											
3/25, 4:00 pm: SB Finance Committee FY25 School Budget review				4/12, 8:00 am-1:00 pm: TC Finance Committee Budget Workshop Part 2				5/3, time TBD: Joint Town Council/ School Board Staff Q&A (optional)											
3/27, 7:00 pm: Town Council Meeting Town Manager & Superintendent present				4/18, 5:00 pm: TC Finance Committee FY25 Budget Recommendations #1				5/9, 5:00 pm: TC Finance Committee Final FY25 Budget Recommendations											
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- School Board Finance Committee budget review
- School vacations & holidays

FY25 BUDGET CALENDAR AS OF 3/25/2024

SMCC Workforce Training



Educator Apprentice Program

Are you interested in becoming an Ed Tech in our schools in the Fall? 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.

A Few More Volunteers Needed for Upcoming 7th Grade Programming!

Looking for 4 More Volunteers Please

Thank you to all who have served as Junior Achievement program volunteers across all of our schools to date this year. At this time,



we are planning for IA in a Day programming on May 10th in 7th grade with a feets on the

<u>Economics for Success</u> program (click on the link to learn more). Please reach out to <u>dnadeau@scarboroughschools.org</u> if you are able to volunteer ,and we will get you connected to our liaison at Junior Achievement. All training and materials are provided. This a great independent opportunity or also a team building opportunity for employees in your organization.

2024-2025 School Calendar



The 2024-2025 School Calendar was approved by the School Board at their March 7th meeting. Also approved at the meeting was the number of traditional "snow days" for the 2024-2025 school year. Next year's calendar will allow for up to two "traditional snow days" (or any type of no school days). If more

than the allotted two days are needed, those days will be asynchronous remote learning days. Therefore, the latest possible in-person school day for 2024-2025 (if 2 days are used) will be June 13, 2025.

The 2024-2025 school calendar can be found here.

Community Bulletin Board Information

Below are some great community events and fundraisers going on in Scarborough. Click on this link <u>Community Bulletin Board</u> for more information.

- SCS Summer Sneak Peak
- Middle School Presents Disney NEWSIES Jr.
- Adventure is Calling Girl Scout Information Night
- Scarborough's Project Graduation Fundraiser Spring Mini Sessions
- 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

- April 8, 2024 1 hour early release for Solar Eclipse
- grades K-5 at 2:15 pm, and grades 6-12 at 1:25 pm
- A April 19th 10th 2021 April Brook

April 25, 2024 - School Board Workshop and Business Meeting

Upcoming Early Release Days:

- May 15
- June 5

**Early Release Times:

Grades 6-12: 12:55pm Grades K-5: 1:45pm

April 11, 12, & 13, 2024

Scarborough Middle School Proudly Presents

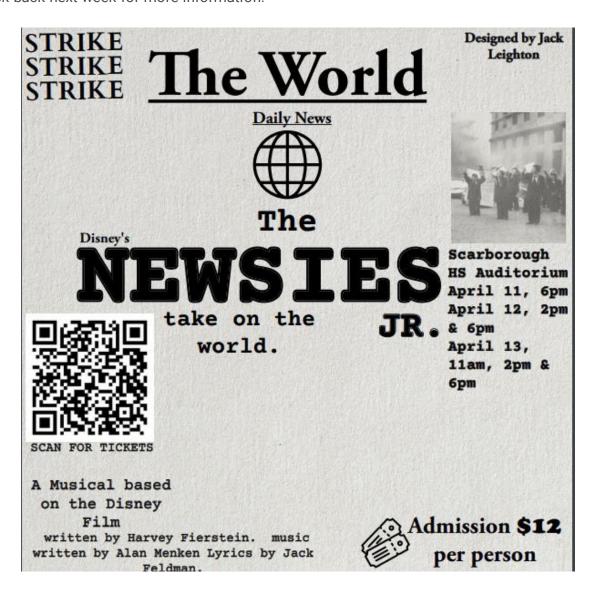
You saw the movie in 1994! You know the story, and now you can see it live on stage at the Winslow Homer Center for the Arts at Scarborough High School!



Performances will be on April 11, 12 and 13.

Ticket information will be available soon!

Check back next week for more information!



Keeping Student Information Up-to-Date Please



Has your address or phone contact information changed recently? Please assist our schools by keeping your information up to date. You can easily do so by logging into the parent portal in PowerSchool, and then click the **Forms** button on the menu. Even if you have already filled the form out earlier this year, you can

make updates at any time.

Link is here:

https://scarborough.powerschool.com/guardian/forms.html

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.applitrack.com/scarborough/OnlineApp/default.aspx

What to do in Scarborough?



For upcoming <u>Scarborough Community</u> events, be sure to check out Scarborough Community Services website and follow them on Facebook.

Let your child know...

"You are a brave little lion. The whole world is going to hear you roar!" #powerfulkids



Links to Our Schools



Blue Point



Eight Corners



Pleasant Hill



Wentworth School



Middle School



High School

Services & Information

<u>Spec. Services</u> | Chris Rohde, <u>crohde@scarboroughschools.org</u>

<u>Transportation</u> | Sarah Redmond, <u>sredmond@scarboroughschools.org</u>

<u>Food Services</u> | Peter Esposito, <u>pesposito@scarboroughschools.org</u>

<u>Athletics</u> & <u>Activities</u> | Mike LeGage, <u>mlegage@scarboroughschools.org</u>

<u>Curriculum</u> | Katie Vetro, <u>kvetro@scarboroughschools.org</u>

<u>Facilities</u> | Todd Jepson, <u>tjepson@scarboroughschools.org</u>

Tech Support

For technology assistance with SPS student laptops, please visit

touch to assist you.



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