



# Scarborough Public Schools

January 31, 2025

## SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE

### COMMUNITY FORUM

On January 21st, the School Building Advisory Committee (SBAC2) and Scarborough Public Schools hosted **Community Forum #1** to inform the public about where we are in the school project process, educate people on important changes in education since our schools were built, and provide a high level overview of the Initial Options being considered.



Community members were then encouraged to provide their thoughts and feedback, and a robust Q&A/Discussion session took place.

**7 Initial Options** were presented, including the 4 that came forward during the SBAC1 process, as well as 3 additional potential options that could be considered. (The SBAC voted in their 1/6/25 meeting to keep these options under consideration until pricing was available before making a decision whether they should move forward.)

Click here to view the [video recording of the Forum and a copy of the presentation](https://www.scarboroughschools.org/building-project/meetings) (under "January 21, 2025 Public Forum"): <https://www.scarboroughschools.org/building-project/meetings>

Click here to view [Channel 13 News Coverage](https://wgme.com/news/local/scarborough-school-officials-discuss-options-to-solve-overcrowding-issue-maine-classroom): <https://wgme.com/news/local/scarborough-school-officials-discuss-options-to-solve-overcrowding-issue-maine-classroom>

### UPDATE ON COST ESTIMATES

Preliminary Rough Order of Magnitude (ROM) cost estimates for the initial options were reviewed at the January 27th SBAC2 meeting. These are early estimates and as the options get further

developed, costs will be further refined.

**The SBAC remains committed to selecting a project within the \$70M-\$130M budget range that came out of last year's survey question about community-supported tax impact.**

While some of the options' initial estimates fall within this range, some did not. Therefore, the committee is meeting again on February 3rd to evaluate what potential scope adjustments could be made to bring the cost of those options in line with the budget, or if certain options may not have a viable path forward and may be considered for elimination at this time.

#### COMMUNITY SURVEY

**A Community Survey is forthcoming in early February** that will outline the Initial Options that the SBAC2 wants feedback on. This feedback will directly inform the SBAC2's decision making process when they vote to reduce the number of options further in March.

**Postcards will be mailed to residents** to invite them to take the survey online to provide their input. Please keep an eye on your mailboxes in the coming weeks!

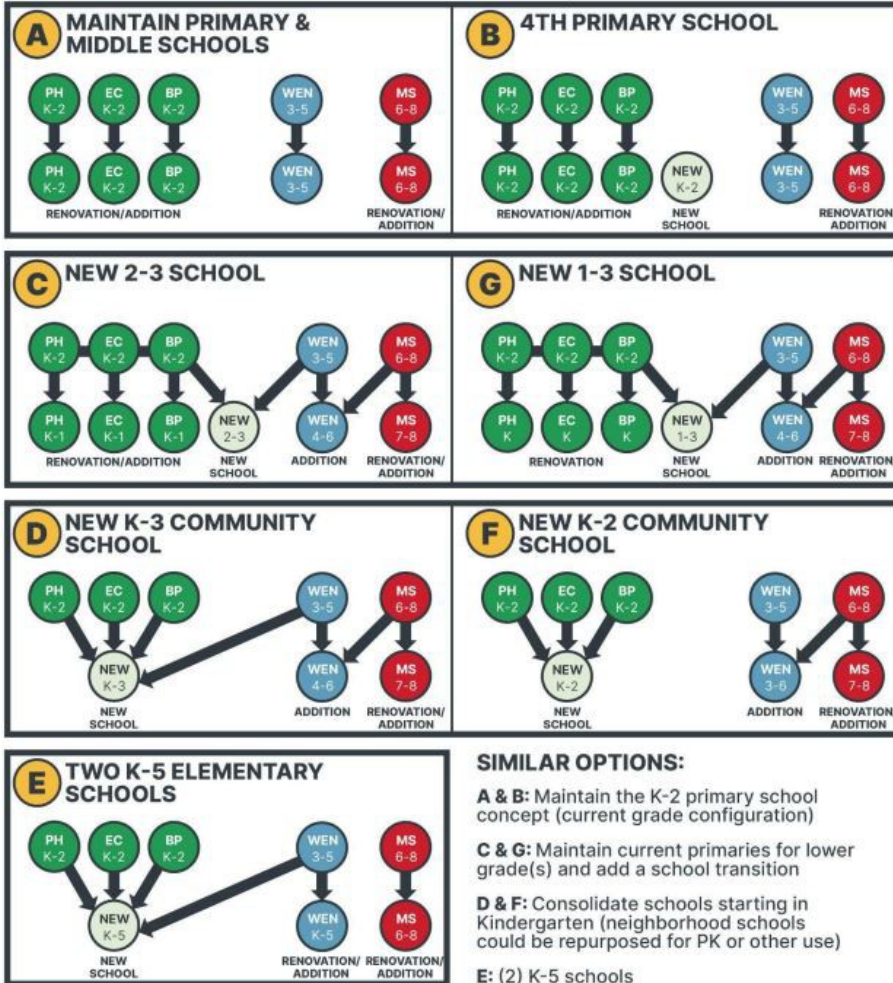
Links to the survey will also be made **available in the Scarborough Leader, Town Newsletter, and School Department Newsletter.**

Paper copies of the survey will be made available **at the Library and Town Hall.**

**Do you have a question or comment you want to share with the School Building Advisory Committee (SBAC2)? Email us at: [sbac@scarboroughschools.org](mailto:sbac@scarboroughschools.org)**

# SUMMARY OF INITIAL OPTIONS ORGANIZED BY SIMILAR CONCEPTS

**LEGEND:**  
**PH** = Pleasant Hill    **NEW** = New School  
**EC** = Eight Corners    **WEN** = Wentworth  
**BP** = Blue Point        **MS** = Middle School



## February Events

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3rd, 10th & 24th - School Building Advisory Committee - 6pm @ Town Hall -  
Double check the calendar!

4th @ 4PM - Policy Committee, revising JFCK

6th - 8am Communications Meeting, & 7pm - Regular BoE Business Meeting

27th - 5:30 PM Board Workshop - Pre-K & 7PM BoE Business Meeting

# SCARBOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD

## Save the Date | Kindergarten Information Night on April 30th

Join our K2 principals on April 30th to hear about our Kindergarten Program at Scarborough Public Schools.

When: April 30, 2025 at 5:30 - 6:30PM

Where: Webinar Event. [Register Now](#)

# SAVE THE DATE

# KINDERGARTEN

# INFORMATION NIGHT



Please join our K2 principals to hear about our Kindergarten program at Scarborough Public Schools.

**APRIL 30, 2025**

**5:30–6:30 PM**

## 2025-2026 Kindergarten Registration NOW OPEN!



We are eager to begin planning to welcome our newest students to Scarborough Public Schools for Kindergarten in 2025- 2026!

- Kindergarten is open to any student who **turns 5 on or before Oct. 15, 2025.**
- If your child meets this criteria, and you are sending them to school in the fall, please complete the form linked here: [New Student Enrollment Form](#)
- If your child meets the age requirement, but you are undecided 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!

If you would like help completing these forms, we are happy to meet with you and provide an interpreter. Please call any of the school offices listed below.

**Blue Point- 207-730-5300**  
**Eight Corners- 207-730-5200**  
**Pleasant Hill- 207-730-5250**

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

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## Scarborough's Got Talent

Scarborough's Got Talent is just around the corner! This year's show will be held on Friday, February 7th at 7pm in the SHS Auditorium. This event regularly sells out, so we highly encourage patrons to secure their tickets ahead of time! Tickets are \$7 for students and \$12 for adults. We look forward to seeing you there!

<https://scarboroughredstorm.ticketspice.com/scarboroughs-got-talent-2025>



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## School Apparel and Accessories

Scarborough High School's online New Year's school store sale. The store is open **now** and will close on **February 23**. Customers can choose to have products shipped to them directly or to the school for pick-up. The link is below.

<https://collinssports.chipply.com/shsapparel2025/?action=viewall>



## Check Out the New Building Project Webpage!



### Scarborough School Building Project

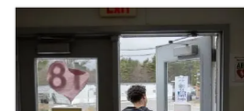
- Why Now?
- Meetings
- FAQs
- Presentations & Documents

The School Building Advisory Committee (SBAC) was formed in February 2024, following the defeat of the Unified School Proposal at the polls in November 2023. This citizen-led group has brought their expertise and interests to the process, alongside elected officials. During the Spring of 2024, members studied school needs and analyzed previous work. In June 2024, the SBAC presented four exploratory concepts they developed to the Town Council and School Board. The work continues with the support of a professional architectural and engineering firm, as well as a robust community feedback process, to assist the group in narrowing down to one proposal by May 2025.

#### "Scarborough school building committee seeking feedback in new year." - Scarborough Leader

Jan 9 2025

The Scarborough School Building Advisory Committee will rely on community feedback in early 2025 to help them narrow four potential solutions to the district's overcrowded schools to two. Harriman Architects has been collecting data,



English

The SBAC Communications Committee has been busy working on a number of projects, including a re-design of the Building Project Page. We hope that you will find [this page](#) easy to navigate and obtain information about the work of the School Building Advisory Committee.

## Community Events & Bulletin Board Information



Below are some great community events and fundraisers going on in Scarborough. Click on this link [Community Bulletin Board](#) for more information.

- February 7, 2025 - Scarborough's Got Talent
- 2025 Registration is open for Scarborough Youth Lacrosse
- 2025 Registration is open for Scarborough Little League

- SCS New Winter Catalog
- Scarborough Youth Football - "Try Tackle" Spring 2025
- Finance Authority of Maine (FAME) information
- Scarborough Public Library
- Scarborough Education Foundation

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## Important Dates

### 2024- 2025 School Calendar

- February 6, 2025 - School Board Business Meeting
- February 12, 2025 - Early Release\*\*
- February 17, 2025 - Holiday - President's Day
- February 17-21, 2025 - Winter Break
- February 27, 2025 - School Board Workshop and Business Meetings



\*\*Early release times:

Grades 6-12: 12:55pm

Grades K-5: 1:45pm

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## 2024-2025 School Calendar



This year's calendar will allow for up to two " traditional snow days" (or any type of unplanned "no school" days). If more than the allotted two days are needed, those days will be **asynchronous** remote learning days, consistent with how the school calendar has looked like for the past few years. Your child's school will be sharing more details about what that will look like as the year unfolds.

The 2024-2025 school calendar can be found [here](#).

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## Reminder

Scarborough Public Schools' Central Office is open Monday-Friday, 8:00am-4:00pm, even though the Municipal Building is closed. Please use the video intercom system located to the right of the main doors (Route 1 front doors only) at Town Hall to contact the School Department and be allowed entry on Fridays. As always, if you have any questions, please contact the Central Office at 730-4100.



# Scarborough Public Schools is HIRING!

## SCARBOROUGH PUBLIC SCHOOLS



We're  
**HIRING**



### **CUSTODIANS**

#### **FULL & PART TIME POSITIONS**

- Pay Range: \$21.50-\$25.50
- Hours: 2:00 pm - 10:30 pm
- Benefits available:
  - Health, Life, Dental and Vision Insurance
  - Retirement Plan
  - Paid Holidays
  - Earned Sick time  
(benefits prorated for part time)

### **BUS DRIVERS**

#### **CDL TRAINING PROVIDED**

- Pay Range: \$24.00-\$29.28
- 35/hrs per week, school year only
- Benefits available:
  - Health, Life, Dental and Vision Insurance
  - Retirement Plan
  - Paid Holidays
  - Earned Sick time



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>

# Scarborough Public Schools

September 15, 2023

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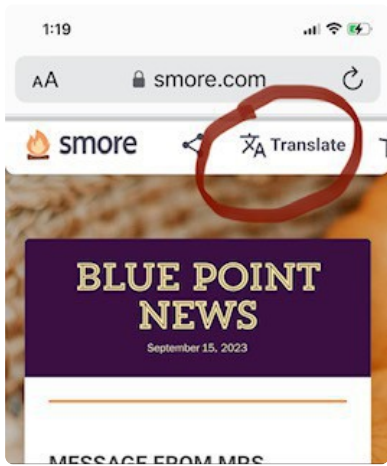
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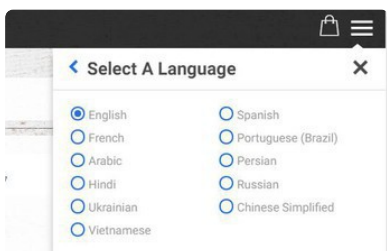


If you look at the embedded photo above which shows you what our newsletters look like when you open them on a computer, you will see that **every newsletter we send has the ability to translate to 90 languages!!!** Harnessing the power of translation tools in Smore is an essential step in making sure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

The picture to the side shows the translate feature on a mobile device.

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## News from the SPS Nutrition Department about Nutrislice



All Kindergarten and new students to the district will have to make a Nutrislice account through the Nutrislice app or through <https://scarboroughschools.nutrislice.com/menu/create-account> before they can order breakfast and lunch. Parents will need the child's ID# before they can start the registration process.

Did you know 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?

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## Scarborough Community Services' Winter Catalog is now available

### Winter 2024-2025

Click [HERE](#) to view the catalog



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## What to do in Scarborough?



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

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## 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](mailto:crohde@scarboroughschools.org)

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

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

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

[Curriculum](#) | Katie Vetro, [kvetro@scarboroughschools.org](mailto:kvetro@scarboroughschools.org)

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

### Scarborough Schools



**Website:** [www.scarboroughschools.org](http://www.scarboroughschools.org)

**Location:** [259 U.S. Route 1, Scarborough, ME 04074, USA](#)

**Phone:** (207) 730-4100

**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/scarbmeschools/>

**Twitter:** [@scarbmeschools](#)



**Cheryl Callahan**

Cheryl is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters