



Scarborough Public Schools

February 7, 2025

Winter is in Full Swing!

Jack Frost is on the scene with his snowmaking equipment!!! We realize that there may be frustration for you as parents in navigating unpredictable weather and the impact that has on school. We truly appreciate your understanding as we make decisions in real-time based on the safety of our students and staff. Careful consideration is given for any weather related closure or delay. This decision includes conferring with the transportation department, public works, our police department, and surrounding area schools. Additionally, the latest weather forecast is carefully reviewed prior to making a final decision. Decisions are generally made by 5 am. I want to assure you that we are always working to make the best decision possible for the well-being of our students, understanding that not everyone will agree with every decision. Please know that as a parent, you always have the choice of keeping your child home if disagree with a weather-related decision.



We have now used 1 of 2 traditional snow days. Once the next traditional snow day occurs, we will be moving to the approved calendar's plan for asynchronous remote learning days. Meals will be provided during remote learning snow days. Non-perishable meals will be sent home in advance with all students who a meal has been requested for. Have you filled out your form yet? [Please fill out this form](#) to have your child's name added to the list and our food service staff will send home non-perishable meals for your child. If you have multiple children, please fill out the form for each child individually. After each remote learning snow day, we will send home additional non-perishable meals for possible future remote learning days. You do not need to resubmit on the form again for each remote learning snow day. Once you are on the list you are on it for the winter. We hope that families find this helpful.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE

COMMUNITY SURVEY

A **Community Survey** is forthcoming next week 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 and should be received by Feb 13 or 14 to invite you to take the survey online to provide your input. Please keep an eye on your mailboxes!

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

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



Policy JFCK, Student Use of Privately Owned Electronic Devices, went to second reading at Tuesday, Feb 4's Board Policy Committee. The committee took the feedback from the board given at first reading on January. [Here is the updated draft](#) that the School Board will consider at its next meeting on Feb. 27.

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.chippily.com/shsapparel2025/?action=viewall>



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.](#)

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>



Check Out the New Building Project Webpage!



Scarborough School Building Project

[Why Now?](#)

[Meetings](#)

[FAQs](#)

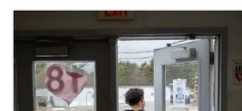
[Presentations & Documents](#)

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,



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 12, 2025 - Early Release**
- 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

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](#).

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.

**WE ARE
OPEN ON
FRIDAYS**

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

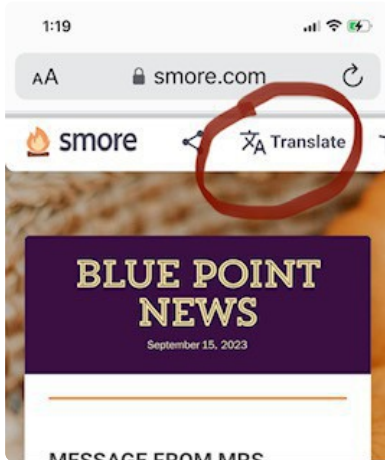
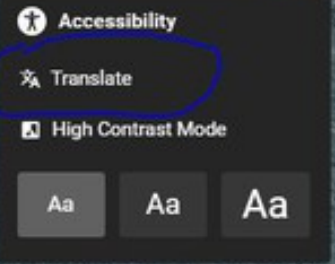


Scarborough Public Schools is currently hiring. Interested candidates may visit the School District's Employment site for details and application instructions by using this link here:

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

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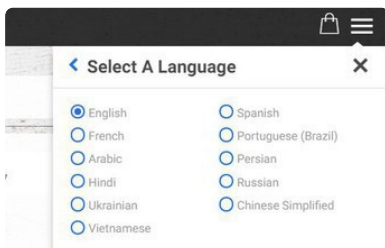
September 15, 2023



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.

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?

Scarborough Community Services' Winter Catalog is now available

Winter 2024-2025

Click [HERE](#) to view the catalog



What to do in Scarborough?



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

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, sredmond@scarboroughschools.org

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

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

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

[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.



Scarborough Schools

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

Phone: (207) 730-4100

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

Twitter: [@scarbmeschools](https://twitter.com/scarbmeschools)



Cheryl Callahan

Cheryl is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters