



Scarborough Public Schools

June 6, 2025

Congratulations to the Class of 2025



This week has included a multitude of events to celebrate our seniors, including Senior Awards night, Baccalaureate, the Senior Stroll through our schools on Thursday, and an assembly. On Sunday, June 8, 2025, 214 seniors will graduate from Scarborough High School at the Cross Insurance Arena as the Class of 2025!

We will be anxious to hear of all of the exciting and interesting futures that lie ahead of you.

Congratulations and best of luck to all of you!!

Last day of the 2024-2025 School Year - June 13th

The last day of school is Friday, June 13th. This will be a **half day** for students and a full day for staff. **Dismissal time on Friday, June 13th for students in grades K through 5 will be 11:45am and students in grades 6 - 12 will be 10:45am.**



Tuesday, June 10, 2025: Elections at the High School



On June 10th elections will be held at the Scarborough High School from 7am - 8pm. There are three school board seats on the ballot, and the School Budget Validation Referendum.

Scarborough Living Article

Experiential Learning at Scarborough Schools



Take a moment to read the article Assistant Superintendent, Ray Grogan, wrote about Scarborough Schools in [Scarborough Living](#) online magazine.

"At Scarborough Schools, we are proud to connect students to hands-on experiences that take them beyond the traditional classroom and into the world around them." Ray Grogan, 06/04/2025

Click this [LINK](#) to read the article

Scarborough Living

Student Spotlight Award Recipients for May and June

Shraddha Reddy Reddy

One of Shraddha's teachers shares that "Shraddha is a student who is always seeking out new knowledge. She is self motivated, extremely open and accepting to all students and teachers. She prioritizes personal development, she is teaching herself the piano from youtube videos and she plays the flute in our middle school band. She is a silent leader and role model for her peers without even trying to be. She communicates with peers and adults fluently and is accepting of all ideas and challenges. She takes advantage of enrichment activities when they are offered and occasionally seeks these out on her own as well."



Lyla Altvater

One of Lyla's teachers shares that "Lyla is a student who has really gone out of her comfort zone to become a school leader this year. She has volunteered to share information on her Passamaquoddy heritage on school announcements. Not only that, she volunteered to dance with our Burnurwurbkek drummers who came in January. She wore her tribal regalia and danced for all learning communities throughout the day. She is a true leader who authentically helps and cares for others and helps brighten our day!"



Central Office Summer Hours



Scarborough Public Schools' Central Office will be open throughout the summer; Monday-Friday, 8:00am-4:00pm. On Fridays, please use the video intercom system located to the right of the main doors (Route 1 front doors only) to contact the School Department and be allowed entry into the building. As always, if you have any questions, please contact the Central Office at 730-4100.

Oak Hill Players Auditions

Oak Hill Players will be holding auditions for their Fall Musical "Crazy for You" during the first full week of school.



Oak Hill Players of Scarborough High School will be holding auditions for our Fall Musical "*Crazy for You*" during the first full week of the school year 2025!

If you are interested but have never been involved with OHP before, WELCOME!

Please email Bethany Jensen at OHPproducer@scarboroughschools.org to get all the info you need to be ready to join us in the fall!

No experience needed - come join the fun!

Congratulations to the SPS 2025 Spring SEF Grant Recipients

The Scarborough Education Foundation announced their **Spring Grant Recipients**. These grants enhance the learning in our schools. The district is grateful for the generosity of SEF to fund the "extras" for a meaningful impact in learning.

- Experimental Brain Based Activities, Strategies, and Learning - Kate Kuhn - SMS
- Legos for Sustainable Engineering - Sarah Athearn - Wentworth
- Sensory/Multisensory Integration - Courtney Tomazin - BP/Wentworth
- SHS Aquaponics Update - Albert McCormack - SHS



School Building Advisory Committee Update

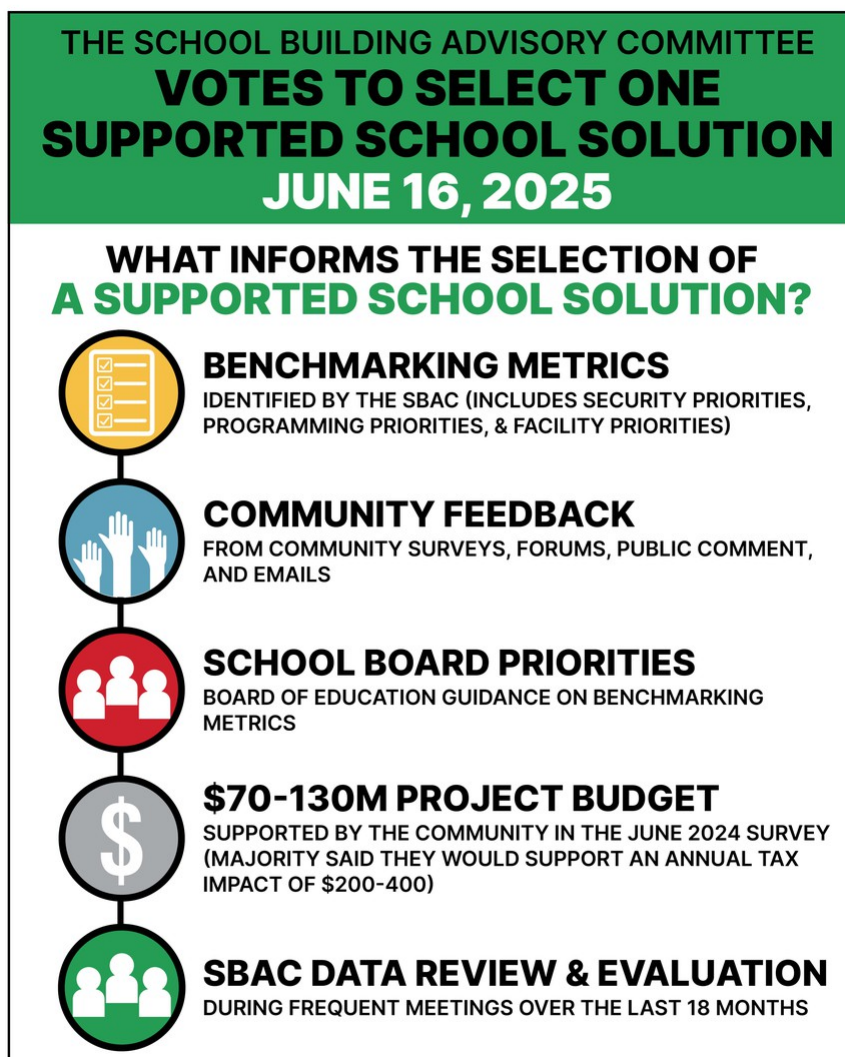
WHAT ARE THE NEXT STEPS IN THE PROCESS?

The SBAC will be working over the next 3-4 weeks to identify cost savings measures in the scope, evaluate scope deferments, select the proposed site, and ultimately select the supported option. This decision is targeted for June 16th.

The community is welcome to attend SBAC meetings to follow along and/or share additional public comment. Recordings are also available to watch online. And as always, we will keep you informed along the way via the project website, town and district newsletters, and social media. Stay tuned!

Upcoming SBAC Meetings and School Board/Town Council Meetings (open to the public):

- June 9th, 6PM - SBAC Meeting, Town Council Chambers A (or Zoom)
- June 16th, 6PM - SBAC Meeting, Town Council Chambers B (or Zoom)
- June 23rd, 6PM - SBAC Meeting, Town Council Chambers A&B (or Zoom)
- June 26th, 6PM - School Board/Town Council Joint Workshop, Town Council Chambers A (or Zoom)





Learn How SUN Bucks Can Help Feed Kids Over the Summer!

SUN Bucks is a grocery benefit program to help families buy food during the summer when schools are closed. Each eligible school-age child receives a one-time payment of **\$120**. Children who get these benefits can also participate in other summer meal programs.



How does SUN Bucks work?

SUN Bucks benefits are loaded onto an **EBT card** and can be used to buy food like fruits, vegetables, meat, whole grains, and dairy at grocery stores, farmers markets, and other places that accept EBT benefits.

How do I get SUN Bucks?

Automatic Enrollment

Your child will be **automatically enrolled** for SUN Bucks and does not need to apply if:

- They completed an application for school meal benefit and were found eligible or
- Age 6-16 and part of a household that already participates in SNAP, FDPIR, TANF, MaineCare at 185% FPL or identified as foster, homeless, or migrant by OFI or OCFS.

Keep an eye out! Automatically enrolled households will receive benefits starting in June on an existing Pine Tree card or on a new EBT card in the mail.

Manual Application

Most families will be automatically enrolled. If you haven't received a letter in the mail by June, consider applying for SUN Bucks before August 15 if:

- Your child attends a school that offers the National School Lunch or School Breakfast Program, *and*
- Your household meets the requirements for free or reduced-price school meal benefit.

Do you have a new address?

Make sure your address is up to date with your school and with the Office for Family Independence so your **SUN Bucks** benefits are sent to the right place!

Update your information by calling OFI at (855) 797-4357



Don't wait to use your benefits!

SUN Bucks expire after 122 days.

For more information: Maine.gov/dhhs/ofi

To apply: Go to MyMaineConnection.gov or fill out a paper application at Maine.gov

Questions? Call OFI at (855) 797-4357 option 5



Maine.gov/dhhs/ofi



Project Grace's Backpack Program

Developed many years ago in collaboration with Project GRACE, the [Backpack Program](#) began with a commitment to provide backpacks filled with nutritious, non-perishable foods for students in need over long weekends and school vacation weeks. During the COVID-19 pandemic, the Backpack Program was a critical resource fighting food insecurity in our community.



In its current form, the Backpack Program continues to provide non-perishable foods as well as fresh produce and meats to families so that our students do not go hungry over school breaks. During the school year, we prepare breakfast & lunch for weekends, holidays and school vacations, in packages that can be picked up once a week at the Wentworth kitchen.

Our community members are essential partners in supporting the ongoing success of the Backpack Program - the program is fully funded by donations and grants. Monetary donations are always appreciated and can be sent via check to the district Business Office at P. O. Box 370, Scarborough ME 04070-0370, or made online through our [RevTrak web store](#).

[Donate Now](#)

2025-2026 School Calendar Approved!



At the March 6th board meeting, the board approved the 2025-2026 calendar. It is very similar to this year's calendar, and will allow for up to three "traditional snow days" (or any type of unplanned "no school" days). If more than the allotted three 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.

The 2025-2026 school calendar can be found [here](#).

Work Permits

Work Permit Information for Minors Under 16 Years Old

Once a minor under 16 years old has the promise of a job, they must obtain a work permit before beginning that job. This includes students who are homeschooled. They must get a new permit every time they begin a new job until they reach 16 years old, even if they work for their parents.



In order to apply for a work permit, the minor must be:

- enrolled in school
- not habitually truant or under suspension; and
- passing a majority of courses during the current grading period.

A copy of the [Maine Work Permit Form can be downloaded here](#). Once this form is completed and signed, the work permit application should be delivered to the superintendent's office (Scarborough Town Hall, 259 US Route 1) with a **copy of the minor's birth certificate, passport or permanent resident card**. You may also email this information to Melissa Booth (mbooth@scarboroughschools.org) If you have general questions please call Melissa at 207-730-4100.

The superintendent's office will forward the information to the Maine Department of Labor. This process could take up to one week. If the permit is in order, the MDOL will validate/approve the form. A staff member at the superintendent's office will email a copy of the approved work permit to the student and the parent/guardian who gave permission for the permit.

1. Minors should bring the approved work permit to their new employer.
2. A minor can have one active permit during the school year and two during the summer.

For more information about child labor laws, wages, hiring and firing:

Maine Department of Labor (enforces Maine child labor laws)

Bureau of Labor Standards

Wage and Hour Division

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.

- Maine's Wild Blueberry Weekend T-Shirt Design Contest
- Summer Art Camp in June 2025
- Finance Authority of Maine (FAME) information
- Scarborough Public Library
- Scarborough Education Foundation

Important Dates

[2024- 2025 School Calendar](#) [2025-2026 School Calendar](#)

- June 6, 2025 - Middle School Graduation
- June 8, 2025 - High School Graduation
- June 13, 2025 - Last Day of School
 - Grades K-5 dismissed at 11:45am
 - Grades 6-12 will be 10:45am



**Early release times:

Grades 6-12: 12:55pm

Grades K-5: 1:45pm

2025-2026 Kindergarten Registration NOW OPEN!

kindergarten
REGISTRATION
IS 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 NOW: [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.](#)

SMCC Workforce Training

EDUCATOR APPRENTICE PROGRAM

EARN WHILE YOU LEARN
as a school employee!



SOUTHERN MAINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE



NO COST TO TRAINEES!

PROGRAM STARTS AUGUST 18, 2025
INTRO TO TEACHING (EDUC 100) - One-Week Bootcamp
Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

About this program:
This 18-month program is designed for those who want to become Education Technicians II at a partner school district. This program is the first of its kind to provide this opportunity. After completing the Intro to Teaching Bootcamp, you will spend one day per week (3:30 - 6:30 p.m.) doing coursework while also receiving experiential credit working in the classroom the rest of the week!

Courses include:

- Intro to Psychology (PSYC 100)
- Oral Communication (ENGL 110)
- Foundations of Math for Teachers (MATH 115)
- Intro to Teaching (EDUC 100)
- Intro to American Education (EDUC 105)
- Culturally Responsive Teaching (EDUC 115)
- Foundations of Literacy (EDUC 220)
- Teaching Exceptional Learners (EDUC 230)
- Student Success (FIGS 100)
- Hands-on classroom experience that counts as credit

Where:
Classes will be on-site at a Gorham/Cumberland County school or municipal building.

Prerequisites:

- 18 years or older
- Resident of State of Maine
- Proof of Authorization to work in U.S.
- High School diploma, GED, or HiSet
- Desire to work in education field
- Testing may be required

Participating educational facilities and school districts:
Brunswick, Falmouth, Gorham, MaineHealth, MSAD 6, MSAD 15, MSAD 51, MSAD 55, 61, RSU 14, Scarborough, & South Portland

THANK YOU TO OUR PARTNERS:





FOR MORE INFO & TO APPLY NOW
email smccworkforcereg@maineccc.edu or call 207-741-5595

Southern Maine Community College does not discriminate and is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.
For more information, please call 207-741-5568 or visit www.smccme.edu.

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>

A hiring poster for Scarborough Public Schools. At the top left is a large red 'S' logo with a lightning bolt. To its right, the text 'Scarborough Public Schools' is written in red. Below this, 'WE ARE HIRING' is written in large, bold, black, hand-drawn style letters. Underneath that, 'Join our Amazing Team Today!' is written in a smaller, black, sans-serif font. Below this is the heading 'Current Openings' in red. There are two columns of job openings listed with bullet points. At the bottom, it says 'Apply Today' and 'www.scarboroughschools.org'. Below that, it says 'For More Information Contact: Lisa Berry (207) 730-4126'. The bottom of the poster features a photograph of a desk with a white mug, a glass jar of pencils, and a keyboard.

Scarborough Public Schools

WE ARE HIRING

Join our Amazing Team Today!

Current Openings

- K-12 Curriculum Specialist
- English Teacher 9-12
- K-2 Speech & Language Pathologist
- Physical Therapist (0.2 FTE)
- Anticipated K-2 Teacher
- Multiple Coaching Positions

Apply Today
www.scarboroughschools.org

For More Information Contact:
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Scarborough Community Services' Spring Catalog is now available

Spring 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

Website: 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](https://twitter.com/scarbmeschools)



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