



Scarborough Public Schools

June 13, 2025

See you in August!!



This will be the final district newsletter of the 2024-2025 school year. Starting in August, we will resume sending out the newsletters to everyone. Have a wonderful, fun-filled summer!

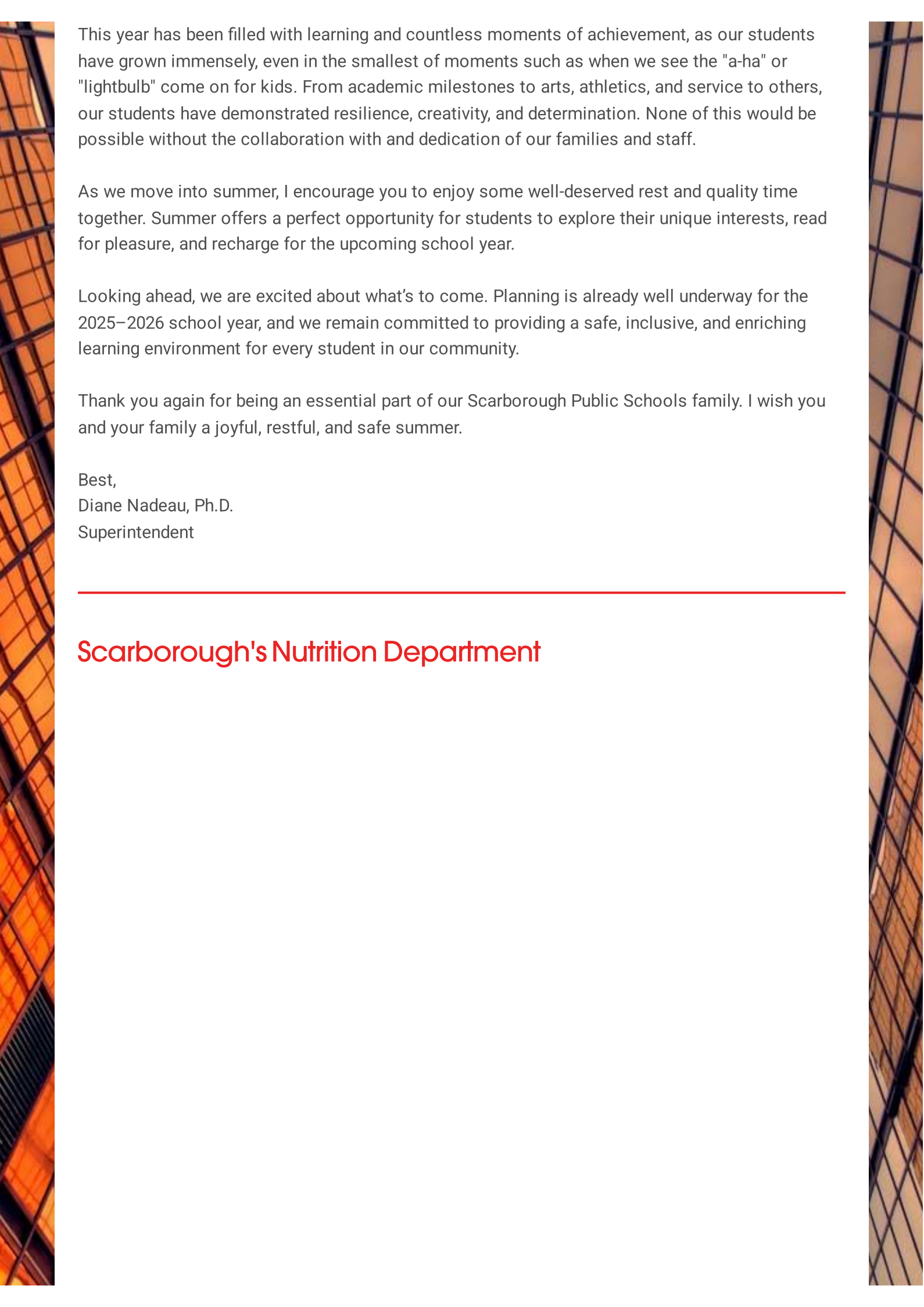
[2025-2026 School Calendar](#)

Message from the Superintendent

Dear Families,

As we wrap up another successful school year, I want to take a moment to extend my heartfelt thanks to each of you for your continued partnership and support. This is super important work, and we cannot do it alone. The support we get from the larger community, such as we saw on Tuesday with our successful FY26 School Budget vote, allows us to continue to provide high-quality instruction and experiences to our students.





This year has been filled with learning and countless moments of achievement, as our students have grown immensely, even in the smallest of moments such as when we see the "a-ha" or "lightbulb" come on for kids. From academic milestones to arts, athletics, and service to others, our students have demonstrated resilience, creativity, and determination. None of this would be possible without the collaboration with and dedication of our families and staff.

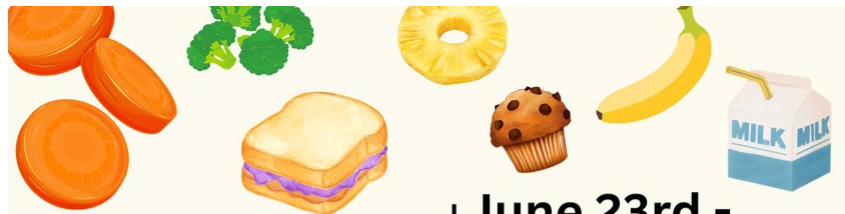
As we move into summer, I encourage you to enjoy some well-deserved rest and quality time together. Summer offers a perfect opportunity for students to explore their unique interests, read for pleasure, and recharge for the upcoming school year.

Looking ahead, we are excited about what's to come. Planning is already well underway for the 2025–2026 school year, and we remain committed to providing a safe, inclusive, and enriching learning environment for every student in our community.

Thank you again for being an essential part of our Scarborough Public Schools family. I wish you and your family a joyful, restful, and safe summer.

Best,
Diane Nadeau, Ph.D.
Superintendent

Scarborough's Nutrition Department



ACCESS FREE MEALS THIS SUMMER

This summer, free meals will be provided for children enrolled in the Scarborough Public School System. Breakfast and lunch will be available for pickup at multiple locations. Please ensure that all children receiving meals are present at the time of pickup

For More Information

Call: (207) 730-4700

Email:
bfranklin@scarboroughschools.org

**June 23rd -
August 8th**

Monday-Thursday

Pick-Up Locations

10:30-10:50am

8 Corners School

22 Mussey Rd

Scarborough, ME 04074

11:00-11:20am

The Oaks Apartments

Pin Oak Drive

Scarborough ME 04074

11:30-11:50am

Coach Lantern

67 Coach Lantern Lane

Scarborough, ME 04074

12:00-12:20pm

Foxcroft Apartments

105 Foxcroft Drive

Scarborough, ME 04074

**School Building Advisory Committee (SBAC) to Vote -
06/16/2025**

SBAC TO SELECT THE FINAL SCHOOL BUILDING OPTION!

MONDAY **6/16 AT 6PM**

TOWN HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS B (OR VIA ZOOM)



PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AT START OF MEETING!

**School Building Advisory Committee (SBAC) to Vote for
Final Recommended K-8 School Solution on Monday June 16 th**

Over the past 18 months, the SBAC has worked in collaboration with the community, the school district, town officials, and architectural/engineering consultants to identify a final supported solution for our K-8 schools.

This **Monday, June 16 th at 6PM** the SBAC will make their final recommendation on which option should go out to voters in November. The SBAC meeting is open to the public and we invite the community to attend in person or watch online.

- Attend in Person: Town Hall, Council Chambers B
- Attend via Zoom: [CLICK HERE](#)

ABOUT THE PROCESS

Through an iterative process over the past 18 months, the SBAC has:

- explored [7 Initial Options](#) for a solution for our K-2 schools, Wentworth (grades 3-5) and Middle School (grades 6-8);
- reduced to [2 Preferred Options](#) for our K-2 schools, Wentworth (grades 3-5) and Middle School (grades 6-8);

- and, over the last several weeks, done a deeper exploration of these two preferred options, coupled with various potential building sites, to evaluate potential scope variations, reductions, and deferrals in order to identify the most cost-effective solution that will meet our students' programmatic needs and be supported by the community.

ABOUT THE OPTIONS

The options that remain in consideration for Monday night's final selected solution are as follows:

- **OPTION: THREE K-2 SCHOOLS (with Addition/Renovation to Wentworth and the Middle School)**
 - Variation 1: **Replace Eight Corners School on "Site 1"** (specific site is confidential, as it is privately owned. If site and option are recommended to School Board, the location will be announced soon)
 - Variation 2: **Replace Eight Corners School on the Existing Eight Corners site**
 - Variation 3: **Addition/Renovation to Eight Corners School on the Existing Eight Corners site**
- **OPTION: ONE CONSOLIDATED K-2 SCHOOL (with Addition/Renovation to Wentworth and the Middle School)**
 - **K-2 Consolidated School located on "Site 1"** (specific site is confidential, as it is privately owned. If site and option are recommended to School Board, the location will be announced soon)
- **INCLUDED IN BOTH OPTIONS described above is the following scope at Wentworth and the Middle School:**
 - **Wentworth:** a small addition of 3 classrooms to address increasing enrollment that is coming in the 2031-32 school year.
 - **Middle School:** a permanent addition to the main building to replace the 6th grade portables, right-size the currently undersized cafeteria, and expand art and music spaces to address current programming needs, in addition to building additional classrooms to accommodate expected enrollment increases beginning in the 2034-35 school year.

Part of the SBAC's decision on Monday will also include determining what, if any, scope reductions or deferments they may choose to recommend for their selected option. Scope reductions and deferments vary between the options.

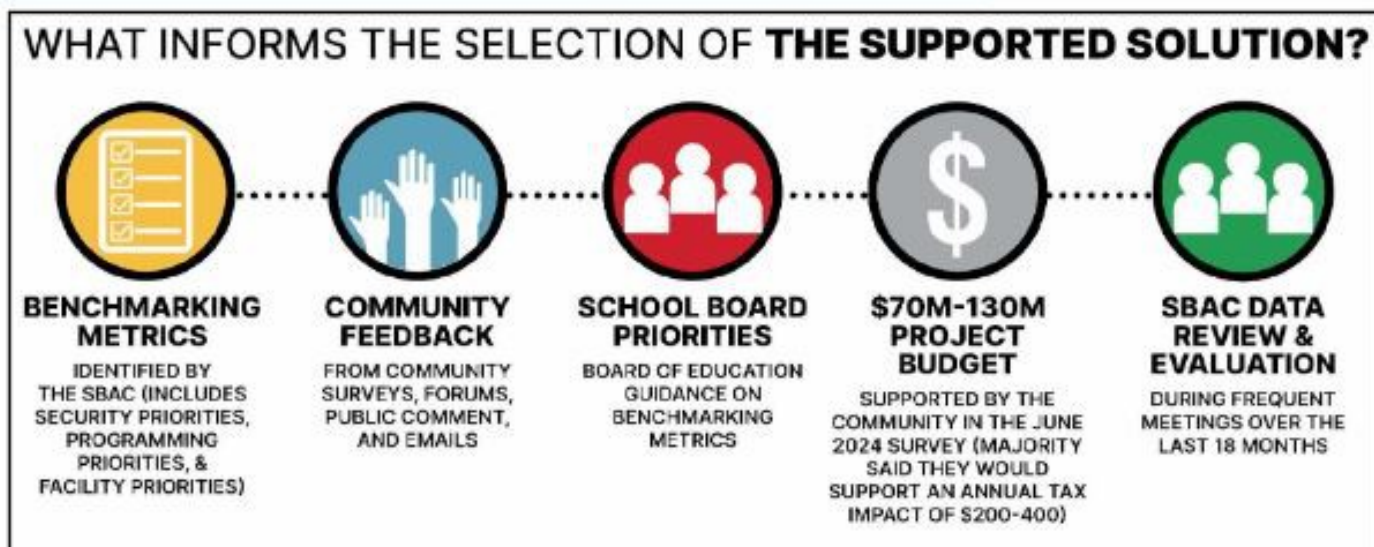
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Please join us Monday evening at 6PM as we make this important decision for the future of Scarborough's schools! There will be a public comment period early in the meeting and we encourage you to make your voice heard!

The SBAC thanks the community for all their input throughout the process via multiple surveys, community forums, public comment, and emailed comments. We encourage you to stay engaged as we will continue to educate the public about the final selected option and prepare for an anticipated referendum date in November, 2025.

Sign up for email alerts about the project [HERE](#) (scroll down to “Featured News” and click on the orange BELL icon on the right side of the page)

The following data points will inform the committee’s decision:



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.

UNOFFICIAL
SCHOOL BUDGET
RESULTS:
YES: 1787
NO: 894

THANK YOU

For supporting Scarborough Schools!

Welcome new board member
Charlotte Jacobs

Welcome back
John Kelleher & Jillian Trapini-Huff



Thank you, **Jenna Leong**, for your three years of service to Scarborough Public Schools!

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!



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](#)

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

207-623-7900

(TTY: Maine relay 711)

E-mail: mdol@maine.gov

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 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>



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:

Lisa Berry (207) 730-4126



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](#)



Cheryl Callahan

Cheryl is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters