



Scarborough Public Schools

October 17, 2025

Save the Date!

Oak Hill Players of Scarborough High School
Proudly Present:



Performances will be on November 20, 21, and 22, 2025
at the *Winslow Homer Center for the Arts*
Scarborough High School Auditorium

Friday November 21st will be an ASL Interpreted Performance

Tickets on sale:

<https://www.scarboroughredstorm.org/ohptix/>

When is sick too sick for school?

A regular attendance routine is important for your child's well-being and learning. These tips can help you decide when to keep your child home when they don't feel well.



SEND ME TO SCHOOL IF...

- I have a **runny nose** or just a **little cough**, but no other symptoms.
- I have **NOT had a fever overnight** and have **NOT taken fever reducing medicine** during that time.
- I have a **mild stomach ache**.
- I have **not thrown up** overnight and can drink liquids without throwing up.
- I have a **mild rash** and no other symptoms.
- I have **eye drainage WITHOUT fever**, eye pain or eyelid redness.



KEEP ME AT HOME IF...

- I have a **temperature higher than 100.4**
- I have **thrown up two or more times** in the past 24 hours.
- My **stool is watery** and I may not make it to the bathroom in time.



SEEK MEDICAL CARE IF...

- I have a **temperature higher than 100.4 AND any of the following:** ear pain, sore throat, rash, stomachache, headache or tooth pain.
- I have **stomach pain and fever**, I have **bloody or black stool**, or I am **dehydrated** (tired and sleepy, dry mouth) and/or I have **not urinated** in the last 8 hours.
- I have a **persistent cough** or **trouble breathing**, or have a fever with the cough.
- I have **eye swelling, eye pain** or an **eye injury**.
- I have a **rash that has blisters**, is draining, is painful, looks like bruises, and/or I have a fever with the rash.

If you don't know whether to send your child to school, have specific concerns regarding your child's physical or mental health, or are worried your child will spread illness, contact your child's health care provider, a local urgent care or the school nurse. These tips are not meant to take the place of local health department/school district health guidance including about contagious illnesses such as Covid-19 and the flu.



For more information visit [attendance works.org/resources](https://attendanceworks.org/resources)

School Referendum Around the Corner!

Interested in learning more about the Scarborough School Building Project before you cast your vote in November? There are a wealth of resources if you visit <https://www.scarboroughschools.org/building-project>. There are also several other ways for you to feel better informed, including detailed information in school specific newsletters, in the current issue of Scarborough Living, or in upcoming events that will also provide detailed information and an opportunity to get any questions that you may have asked. Dates are listed below. We hope you will join us!



THE K-8 SCHOOLS SOLUTION GOING TO VOTERS THIS NOVEMBER

REFERENDUM QUESTION #1 TOTAL PROJECT COST: UP TO \$129.85M

EIGHT CORNERS SCHOOL REPLACED WITH A NEW SCHOOL ON THE EXISTING EIGHT CORNERS SITE

To accommodate up to 380 K-2nd grade students

BLUE POINT SCHOOL RENOVATIONS & ADDITIONS

To accommodate up to 232 K-2nd grade students and eliminate portables

PLEASANT HILL SCHOOL RENOVATIONS & ADDITIONS

To accommodate up to 224 K-2nd grade students and eliminate portables

WENTWORTH SCHOOL SMALL ADDITION

To accommodate increased 3rd-5th grade enrollment expected beginning in 2031-32

MIDDLE SCHOOL RENOVATIONS & ADDITIONS

To accommodate current 6th-8th grade population in the building, eliminate portables, and enlarge the undersized cafeteria

REFERENDUM QUESTION #2* TOTAL PROJECT COST: UP TO \$10M

MIDDLE SCHOOL LARGER ADDITION

Further expansion to accommodate increased 6th-8th grade enrollment expected beginning in 2034-35

**Referendum Question 2 is contingent on Question 1 passing*

A STUDENT-CENTERED VISION *Created For The Community, By The Community*

YOU SPOKE, WE LISTENED REFLECTING SCARBOROUGH'S VALUES

- Put Students First:**
Build safe, functional spaces that support current educational models & learning needs
- Maintain the Neighborhood K-2 Schools Model**
- Responsible Use of Taxpayer Dollars**
Referendum Question 1 is:
 - \$30M less than the rejected 2023 proposal
 - Under \$130M (preferred by Scarborough residents in the 2024 community survey)
- Flexibility for Future Needs**

A COMMUNITY-LED PROCESS



After the failure of the 2023 school referendum, the School Board & Town Council created a citizen committee—the School Building Advisory Committee (SBAC)—to find a new solution.

The SBAC spent nearly 18 months exploring a wide range of options with frequent community input along the way.



VISIT THE WEBSITE TO SEE THE PLANS FOR
EACH OF SCARBOROUGH'S K-8 SCHOOLS
www.scarboroughschools.org/building-project

MAJOR CHALLENGES FACING OUR K-8 SCHOOLS

Over Capacity & Overcrowded



Our K-2 primary schools and middle school are already operating over capacity, and temporary modular classrooms have been in daily use for over 20 years. Based on children who have already been born in Scarborough, we expect an increase of almost 200 students to enter the primary schools by 2028-2029.

Photo: The entire 6th grade must travel between portables and the main building multiple times per day at the MS.

Competing Uses of Space



Spaces shared by multiple programs (such as gym/cafeteria, art/music, etc.) can inhibit programming due to time spent transitioning between uses or difficulty accommodating certain equipment or materials. Increasing enrollment will continue to exacerbate our space needs.

Photo: Shared gym/cafeteria at Blue Point.

Aging, Outdated Facilities



The three K-2 primary schools were built in the 1950s and 60s. The outdated infrastructure does not adequately support modern teaching and learning, including special education, intervention, and state-mandated curriculum.

Photo: Eight Corners special education & student support programs must share space. These programs should typically be located in smaller dedicated spaces to support individualized learning.

Increased Security Needs



Safety & security needs are different today than when our schools were originally constructed. Improvements are needed to ensure all schools have sufficient emergency site access, secure entry vestibules, lockdown zones, and other infrastructure.

Photo: Pleasant Hill entry lacks secure vestibule.



HAVE A QUESTION? FIND YOUR ANSWER HERE:
www.scarboroughschools.org/building-project



**VIEW FREQUENTLY
ASKED QUESTIONS**



**SUBMIT A NEW
QUESTION**

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Here is the [link for tickets](#)

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PAINT NIGHT

MONDAY OCT. 27TH

6:30-8:00PM

\$40

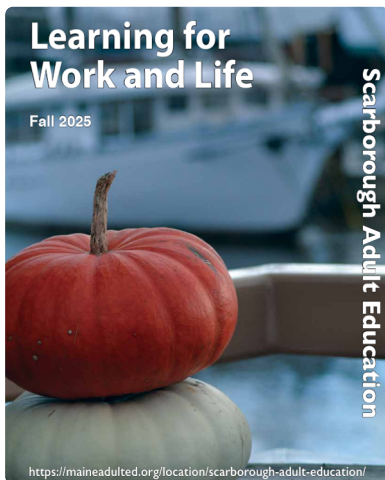
**LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE.
NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.
LIGHT HALLOWEEN THEMED REFRESHMENTS
WILL BE PROVIDED ALONG WITH GOODY BAGS
FOR EACH KID IN ATTENDANCE! THIS IS A
FAMILY FRIENDLY EVENT. KIDS UNDER 7
NEED TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.**

SCARBOROUGH
HIGH SCHOOL
CAFETERIA



QUESTIONS? EMAIL: KLAVERRIERE@SCARBOROUGHSCHOOLS.ORG

Scarborough Adult Education



FALL 2025 Registration is now available! Our general office hours are Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday afternoons. Students may [register 24/7 online](#) or email adulted@scarboroughschools.org for assistance!

2025-2026 School Calendar

[2025-2026 School Calendar](#)

This year's calendar will allow for up to three "traditional snow days" (or any type of emergent no school days). If more than the allotted three days are needed, those days will be asynchronous remote learning days.



Central Office Hours



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Scarborough Public Schools' Central Office is open Monday-Friday, 8:00 am-4:00 pm. On Fridays, because Municipal Offices are closed, 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-

High School Calendar of Events for October

Hey, Scarborough High School fans—get ready for a school year full of energy, talent and school spirit! Our high school athletes and club members are bringing their A-game, and they want YOU there to cheer them on! From thrilling matchups on the field to inspiring performances from our incredible student clubs, there's something for everyone to enjoy. Whether you're a fan of football or theater, your support helps build pride, connection and community.



Visit our new [events page](#) to explore all the exciting ways to support Scarborough. Rally your friends, wear your school colors with pride and join the celebration. Let's go Red Storm—Scarborough strong!

Community Events & Bulletin Board Information



Please access this link to the [Community Bulletin Board](#) for information about great community events and fundraisers going on in Scarborough. In this week's posting, you will find information relating to the:

- Oak Hill Players Wizard of Oz Performance
- Community Services Theater Workshop

- Trunk or Treat - Morrison Center
 - Community Services Pick-Up Teen Basketball
 - Community Services Snow Sports Program
 - Cub Scout Flyer
 - Girl Scouts of Maine Flyer
 - 2025-2026 Scarborough Public Library Parent Letter
 - Scarborough Education Foundation
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Important Dates

[2025-2026 School Calendar](#)

- November 4, 2025 - Voting Day (**K-12 School is in Session**)
- November 6, 2025- School Board Business Meeting
- November 11, 2025 - Veteran's Day - No School
- November 19, 2025 - Early Release Day
- November 20, 2025 - School Board Workshop and Business Meeting
- November 26, 27, & 28, 2025 - Thanksgiving Break



**Early release times:

Grades 6-12: 12:55pm

Grades K-5: 1:45pm

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 Community Services' Fall Catalog is available

Click [here](#) to view 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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