



Scarborough Public Schools

May 8, 2026

Staff Appreciation Week! Who Can You Reach Out To?



Throughout the school year, we often pause to celebrate the milestones and achievements of our students. Yet, behind every success story, every moment of growth, and every joyful discovery, stands a dedicated team of individuals who make it all possible. Staff members at Scarborough Public Schools, regardless of their roles, work tirelessly, day in and day out, to create a nurturing and enriching environment for every child.

Their commitment, passion, and unwavering effort are the backbone of our school community. From the warm greetings in the morning as a student boards a bus to the patient guidance in the classroom, and the countless tasks performed behind the scenes, their contributions are invaluable and deeply appreciated.

We invite families to take a moment to acknowledge these everyday heroes and challenge each of you to write even one brief note, email, or a kind word to acknowledge someone on staff to let them know what they have meant to your family. . Let's collectively celebrate the amazing staff who truly make our schools a special place.

High School's ACE Mentor Program

Congratulations also goes to the following ACE Mentor Program students who competed at the **Construction Industry Round Table (CIRT) National Design & Construction Competition** in Washington D.C. on Monday, April 27th!

Damien Meissner

Eli Fengler

Cody Brook

Liam Driscoll

Cillian Phelan

These students were selected by [ACE's Maine Chapter](#) to compete in the 2026 Construction Industry Round Table (CIRT) Competition. The CIRT Competition is a national design competition, in partnership with the ACE Mentor Program of America, that strives to “celebrate the innovations and contributions the design/construction community makes to the quality of American life, while understanding the issues and challenges the industry faces to deliver on this legacy.” The Scarborough team selected the Net Zero Data Center Challenge with their work culminating in two “virtual boards” including descriptions of the project, diagrams, renderings, construction schedules and project budgets.

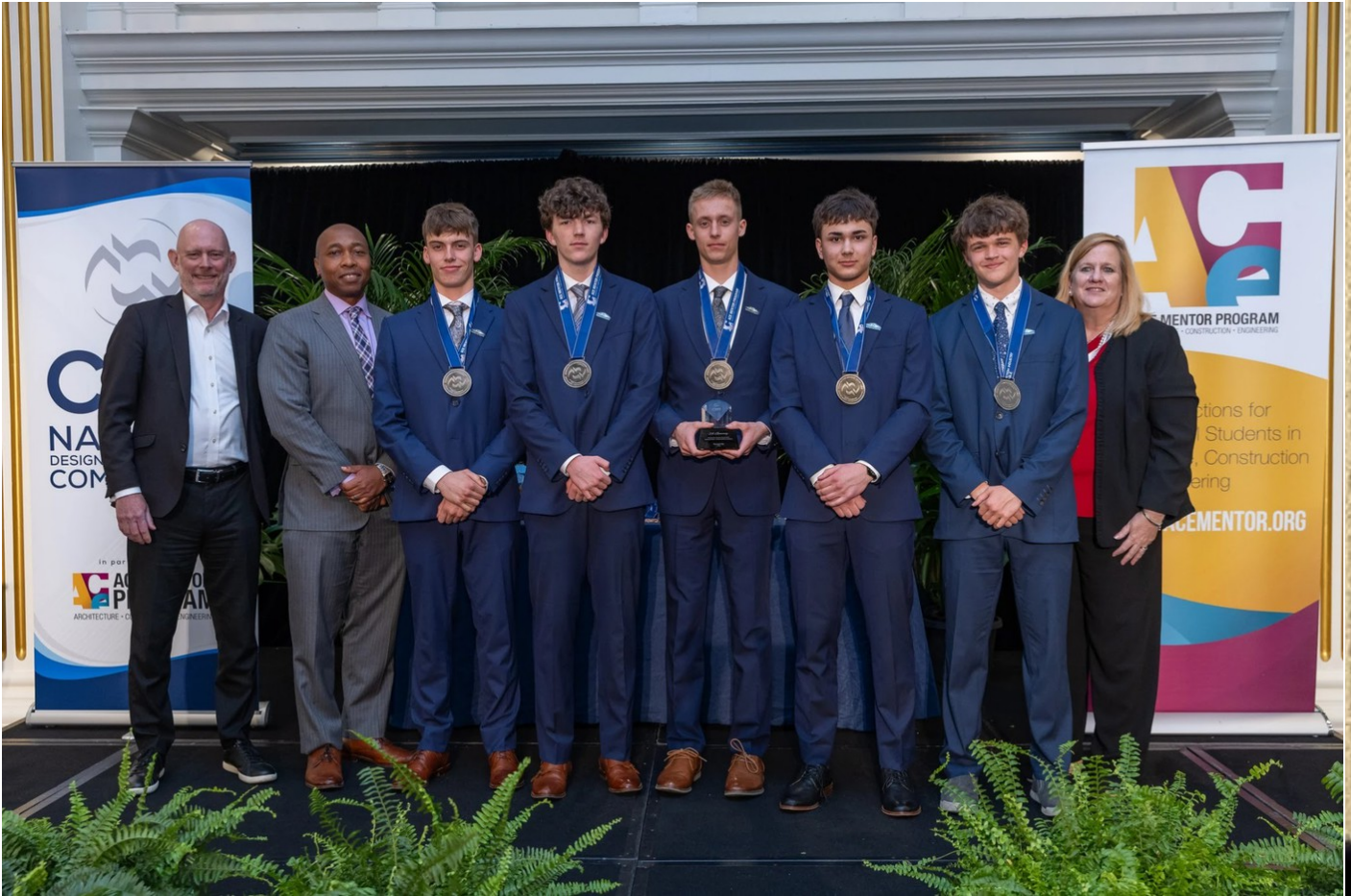
Students presented their project, Katahdin Peak Systems, in a preliminary jury round and were selected as finalists from over 85 submissions nationwide. The team traveled to Washington D.C. to present their work on April 27, accompanied by Stacey Woidt (SHS ACE Maine School Champion), Wayne Keller (ACE Maine Team Leader), Siobhan Benson (ACE Maine Board Chair), and several family members.

Led by Damien Meissner, the team presented their project, Katahdin Peak Systems, to a panel of experts, and were awarded first runner up in the Net Zero Data Center Challenge. The panel was extremely impressed by the students’ presentation, grasp of complex concepts, and eagerness to discuss their work. Their professionalism and enthusiasm throughout the competition were an excellent reflection of their preparation and dedication over the last 8 months. Wayne, Siobhan, and the entirety of the ACE Mentor Program of Maine is extremely proud of Cillian, Cody, Damien, Eli, and Liam, and look forward to working with them to get back to Washington D.C. next year!

Learn more about the Construction Industry Round Table (CIRT) Competition:

<https://www.cirt.org/competition>

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Student Spotlight Award Recipient

Congratulations Scarborough High School's Vaishnavi Kuppala!

Ms. Annie Reiner, a Language Arts teacher at the High School, nominated Vaishnavi for this award. Ms. Reiner describes Vaishnavi as a "superstar student". She stands out for seamlessly blending intellectual prowess with an inspiring character. Her remarkable aptitude is evident in her challenging course selection and consistently high grades, yet it is her humility, hard work, and profound kindness that truly set her apart.

Vaishnavi is a multifaceted talent, excelling as a visual artist, a gifted writer, and a standout in STEM fields. Her infectious love of learning inspires both classmates and teachers alike. Known for her dynamic personality, she can engage in thoughtful, serious discussions while also bringing joy and lightheartedness to those around her.

In every sense, Vaishnavi is a deserving individual whose blend of intelligence, curiosity, and kindness makes her a role model for her academic community and beyond.

*Pictured left to right: Abigail Rasquinha, 2026 Student Board Rep. and Vaishnavi Kuppala.
Photo by: J. Trapini-Huff*



Board of Education May 6th Community Forum Recap

The BoE's recent Community Forum, "A Community Conversation About Navigating Technology at Home," took place on May 6th from 6-8 PM. The event, held at Wentworth Cafeteria and via Zoom, brought together community members for a discussion on managing technology in the home environment.

Our guest speakers, Kate Danielson, Matt Pines, and Dr. Fanburg, shared their thoughts and perspectives on this topic.



For those who were unable to attend the discussion, please visit our [website](#). There are links with supporting documents that could be helpful to parents while navigating technology at home. This is the [Video Recording](#) link and the passcode: N789wMG+.

We believe that fostering open dialogue about technology is crucial for our community, and we look forward to hosting more events like this in the future. Thank you to everyone who participated and contributed to making this forum a success.

Opportunities for Scarborough Families to Learn More About the School Budget

TOWN LEADERS WANT TO TALK TO YOU!

PLEASE TAKE PART IN THE **BUDGET ROUNDTABLES**

- Monday, May 4, 6:30pm, Pleasant Hill School
- Tuesday, May 5, 6:30pm, Virtual (Zoom)
- Thursday, May 7, 6:30pm, Public Safety Building
- Saturday, May 9, 10:00am, Public Safety Building
- Monday, May 11, 6:30pm, Blue Point Primary School
- Tuesday, May 12, 6:30pm, North Scarborough Fire Station
- Thursday, May 14, 6:30pm, Public Safety Building
- Saturday, May 16, 10:00am, Virtual (Zoom)
- Monday, May 18, 6:30pm, Eight Corners School

**TOUGH BUDGET CHOICES WILL
IMPACT SCHOOLS
BE PART OF THE CONVERSATION!**

www.scarboroughmaine.org/budget/fy2027

Stay informed about important upcoming FY 27 Budget conversations in our community. Your participation and awareness provide important feedback.

Stay Informed

The Town Council has asked both the town and school departments to work toward a target that would result in an approximate 2% overall tax impact. For the schools, that equates to a \$2.19 million potential reduction. We can appreciate that the intent is to have a combined budget that balances community priorities, including educational and municipal programming needs as well as considerations to the taxpayers who make our work possible.

At this point, discussions with the Town Council and the Board are in their beginning stages; no decisions have been finalized. We trust that these bodies will work in partnership through this process, with a shared goal of supporting students and programs while balancing broader community priorities.

Budget Readings

- 2nd Reading of Budget for Board: May 19th at 7:00 PM
- 2nd Reading at Town Council: May 20th at 7:00 PM

Vote on School Budget

Your vote on the school budget directly impacts the quality of education for our children. Please make your voice heard.

- Date: June 9th
- Time: All day

We encourage you to visit our [budget portal](#) on the district website, which contains detailed information about the budget proposal, and areas of potential reduction being considered.

Last Day of School for K-12 Students and Staff



The last day of school is Wednesday, June 17th. This will be a **half day** for students and a full day for staff. **Dismissal time on Wednesday, June 17th for students in grades K through 5 will be 11:45am and students in grades 6 - 12 will be 10:45am.**

2026 -2027 School Calendar



We are pleased to announce that the 2026-2027 school calendar has been officially approved by the School Board at last evening's Board Meeting. We encourage all families to review the calendar to note important dates, including holidays, and school breaks. You can find the link to the full calendar below.

[2026-2027 School Calendar](#)

Scarborough Public Schools: Kindergarten Registration (2026-2027 School Year)

Kindergarten Registration Now Open for 2026-2027

We are excited to welcome the newest members of our school community! So far, **182 children have been registered** for the upcoming school year, and there is still plenty of time to register your child.

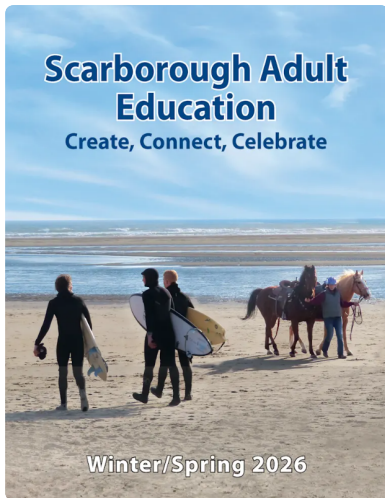


Eligibility: Kindergarten is open to any child who will be five (5) years old on or before **October 15, 2026**.

How to Register: All families must complete the [New Student Enrollment Form](#) to begin the process.

For any other questions, please contact your school directly using the phone numbers listed above. We look forward to meeting you.

Scarborough Adult Education



WINTER & SPRING 2026 Registration is now available! Their general office hours are Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday afternoons. Students may [register 24/7 online](#) or email adulthood@scarboroughschools.org for assistance!

Central Office Hours

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 730-4100.



High School Calendar of Sporting Events for the month of May



To all Scarborough Public Schools' sports fans, prepare for a school year brimming with energy, achievement, and unparalleled school spirit! Our dedicated student/athletes are poised to deliver exceptional performances, and they eagerly await your enthusiastic cheers! Your support is vital in cultivating a sense of pride, belonging, and collective community. Explore the myriad ways to engage and support Scarborough by visiting our [new events page](#). Rally your peers, wear your Red Storm colors with pride, and become part of the excitement. Scarborough strong—let's make this year unforgettable!

Community Events & Information

Please access this link to the [Community Bulletin Board](#) for information about great community events and fundraisers going on in Scarborough.

- Scarborough Public Library May 14th Author Event
- SPS Alumni Night - May 16, 2026
- Mr. Reagan's Summer Camps - July 2026
- SPS Alumni Night - May 16, 2026
- Primary PTA Night at the SeaDogs - July 17, 2026
- Scarborough Public Library May 14th Author Event
- Summer at Waynflete
- Art Attack: June Clay Camp
- Cub Scout Flyer
- Girl Scouts of Maine Flyer
- 2025-2026 Scarborough Public Library Parent Letter
- Scarborough Education Foundation



Important Dates



[2026-2027 School Calendar](#)

[2025-2026 School Calendar](#)

- May 21, 2026 - School Board Business Meeting and Celebration of the 2026 Staff Retirees
- May 25, 2026 - No School for K-12 - Memorial Day
- June 3, 2026 - Early Release Day**
- June 4, 2026 - School Board Business Meeting
- June 17, 2026 - Last Day of School
- June 18, 2026 - School Board Workshop & Business Meeting

**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
Schools

WE ARE HIRING!

Open Positions

- HS Math Teacher
- HS Instructional Coach/Math Teacher
- Ed Tech I, II, III - Special Services
- Extended School Year (ESY) Ed Tech III
- MS Science Teacher
- MS ELA/Social Studies Teacher
- Multiple Coaching Positions
- Behavior Specialist (BCBA Preferred)
- ESY Occupational Therapist
- ESOL Teacher (K-5)
- School Psychologist (0.6)
- Custodians

Apply Now

www.scarboroughschools.org

For More Information Contact:
Lisa Berry (207) 730-4126



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.



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

Phone: (207) 730-4100

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