



Scarborough Public Schools

June 5, 2026

Class of 2026 Graduates Sunday, June 7, 2026!

Congratulations to the class of 2026! This significant milestone marks the culmination of years of hard work, dedication, and growth. As you embark on your next chapter, whether it be higher education, career, or other endeavors, remember the lessons learned, the friendships forged, and the resilience you've demonstrated. The future is yours to shape, and we are incredibly proud of all you have accomplished. We wish you the very best in all your future undertakings.



Message from our School Board: Vote on Tuesday!



Parents, teachers, staff, coaches, seniors and neighbors from every corner of Scarborough filled Town Council Chambers on Wednesday, May 21 to speak in support of our schools. The School District's leadership team and the School Board were uplifted by the outpouring of encouragement and the clear message that our community values strong public education.

The Town Council ultimately adopted a 3.2% compromise budget, one that protects essential services for students but also recognizes the financial pressures facing many of our neighbors. This compromise budget protects extra-curriculars, saves teacher and educational tech positions, and allows the district to move forward with a new math curriculum for K-5 and middle school students.

We believe the budget Town Council approved ensures Scarborough will maintain a strong educational system that does not compromise student learning. This budget reflects our shared commitment to supporting students, respecting taxpayers, and investing wisely in our town's

future. The final step is for Scarborough voters to make their voices heard by casting their ballots on June 9.

Please be sure to vote! Over 2,500 absentee ballots have already been cast, which shows high levels of public engagement. Election day is June 9th at Scarborough High School. Polls open at 7:00 AM and close at 8:00 PM.

Update on Track Renovation - Spring 2026

As many are aware, site work to restore and upgrade the Scarborough High School track was completed over the summer of 2025, with the final surfacing and stripe painting the only remaining project elements. Since last Fall, we have been working with the contractors to determine the best timing to complete the renovation.



In order for the track surface to adhere and cure properly, the outside temperature cannot be lower than 50 degrees during the entire application period, and dry weather is required for most of the process. In addition, any stray ball from an adjacent field or accidental footstep striking the base mat before it cures could cause irreparable damage. Due to these factors, it was decided that waiting until the end of the Spring athletic season would be the safest approach, recognizing that it would be foolish to take the chance of ruining the surface after all of the time and money that has been expended by the community to date. While understandably disappointing for this year's athletes, this clearly turned out to be a smart decision, as the cold wet spring we have had so far would have easily derailed the work.

The surfacing work is now scheduled to begin on Monday, June 8, after the regular sports season ends. Starting on June 5, Facilities and Community Services staff will be moving equipment and closing off the track and turf field area for any use. The remaining work required will take approximately 16 days, weather permitting, during which time the area will be closed to the public. Due to materials staging outside of the fence on Wentworth Drive, we ask that citizens avoid driving through that area during this time. Our goal is to have the project completed and the facility accessible by the beginning of July.

We appreciate the cooperation and patience of the many community members who enjoy using this facility, and we look forward to the completion of a beautiful, state-of-the-art restoration. Although beyond the original timeline, the critical upgrades to both the turf and track will undoubtedly serve our students and larger community well for years to come.

Scarborough Education Foundation Spring Grant Recipients

The Scarborough Education Foundation awards grants to inspire the development of innovative programs and creative initiatives that will enhance the curriculum for students in grades K-12 of

the Scarborough Public Schools. The grant awards are intended to be used as "seed money" to fund new programs to give educators, students and parents an opportunity to see how such initiatives would work in practice. Staff from across the district are encouraged to "think big" and make requests to fund their ideas.

We are so blessed to have these opportunities available. SEF fills many unmet needs, that otherwise would not be able to addressed because of constraints in our budget.

This spring SEF awarded **\$20,399.25** of grant money to the District!! We are SO APPRECIATIVE! Please consider joining them or supporting their efforts- take a peek at [their website](#) to learn more!

- School Bus Safety - Sarah Redmond for the K-2 phase level
- Boosting Young Minds - Jennifer Pinkham at Pleasant Hill School
- EXPLORE - Patrick Reagan at Wentworth School
- The Telling Room Writing - Molly Brenerman at Wentworth School
- Within The Whale - Carissa Bard at Wentworth School

Pictured is Erica Key at Eight Corners stocking the Little Free Library. SEF funded this grant in the fall of 2025.



Welcome to our New Assistant Superintendent!

Welcome to Kimberly O'Donnell, Ph.D., who will be joining us as Scarborough's next Assistant Superintendent.

Dr. O'Donnell earned all of her degrees from University of Southern Maine, including a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education, a Master of Science in Exceptionality, and a Doctorate in Public Policy. Early in her career, she spent a decade in Scarborough, teaching multi-age and kindergarten students at Pleasant Hill and Blue Point schools.



Her leadership experience includes serving as assistant principal before becoming principal of Buxton Center Elementary School, a role she held for several years. Over the past six years, Dr. O'Donnell has served as Assistant Superintendent in Westbrook, where she has worked collaboratively with a boots-on-the-ground approach to align instructional practices with equity and maximize student outcomes. Her accomplishments include leading the successful implementation of public pre-K and securing grant funding to expand educational programming and resources, among many other contributions. Scarborough is super fortunate to have someone with her expertise and experience joining our team!

June Spotlight Award Recipient

Hadley McFarland is an exceptional 7th-grade student, recognized for her remarkable growth as a leader, student, and community member. She was nominated by the following Middle School Teachers: Noah Phillips, Hayley McCambridge, Justin Pease and Emma Toth. Hadley demonstrates **out-of-the-box thinking**, is **creative**, and **self-motivated**, exhibiting **good time management** and athletic prowess. She is notable for her ability to **take feedback and run with it**, driven by a genuine desire to **grow and improve**.

Her pursuit of knowledge is driven by a deep curiosity and a desire to understand the world, rather than solely by grades. She actively connects new information with existing knowledge and questions its potential applications, demonstrating a **fearless approach to learning**. Hadley is often the first to share her creative ideas, which are characterized by a unique perspective.

Pictured left to right: Hadley McFarland and Sara Claret Gozavez (2027 BoE Student Representative)

Photo by: J. Trapini-Huff



Congratulations Scarborough High School's 2026 Graduate, Abigail Rasquinha!!

The Scarborough's Board of Education 2026 Student Representative

The Maine Department of Education (DOE) recently welcomed 10 student interns to its team. These interns will spend the summer working on several teams within the Maine DOE, bringing a variety of new skills, backgrounds, and experiences to the department.

These internships were made possible by several programs throughout Maine, including the Margaret Chase Smith Policy Center [Maine Government Summer Internship Program](#), the Bowdoin Public Service Summer Fellowships, and other Extended Learning Opportunities. During their time at the Maine DOE, these interns will assist with daily operations at the department, while gaining professional experience, knowledge, and connections.

To read the full article, click [HERE](#)



Abigail Rasquinha is the Outreach Specialist for the Maine DOE Office of Innovation Strategic Partnerships Team. In the upcoming year, she will be a freshman at Northeastern University, where she plans to study public health. Rasquinha's favorite pastimes are spending time with friends and family, as well as playing sports. At school, she runs indoor and outdoor track and plays soccer.



PRE-K REGISTRATION

FALL 2026

 **ANNOUNCING HALF-DAY OPENINGS AT BLUE POINT SCHOOL**

 **ELIGIBILITY:**
Must be a Scarborough student who turns 4 by October 15, 2026.

 **EXPRESS INTEREST NOW!**

 **SCAN OR VISIT TO EXPRESS INTEREST:**
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1g_p30fphZEFY_b1jYDIhJYh8OcRpuLwBRibXjnS6xgU/edit

Half-Day Openings at Blue Point School Still Available

There are still limited half-day Pre-K openings at Blue Point School for the upcoming school year!

Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for the Scarborough Public Schools Pre-K program, students must meet the following criteria:

- The child must be a resident of Scarborough.
- The child must turn four (4) years old on or before October 15, 2026.

Our Pre-K program is designed to foster early literacy and numeracy skills, social-emotional development, and a love for learning in a supportive and engaging environment. We believe in nurturing each child's unique potential and preparing them for a successful transition to kindergarten.

You can express your interest by:

- Click on the above flyer.
- Visiting the following

link: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSell18u9qEQBZ7U9cwyLOdbZhMOwjhOgJ6AxMU42X4n-sHOhA/viewform>

Our first round of screening for families who previously applied has been completed, and letters with next steps should be hitting families' email by the start of next week. Additional screening appts are being organized for early June for families who are expressing interest now.

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, **205 children have been registered** for kindergarten the upcoming school year. Please spread the word to anyone you may know in Scarborough to register now so we can ensure we are ready to receive these students when school begins in late August.

Eligibility: Kindergarten is open to any Scarborough 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.

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

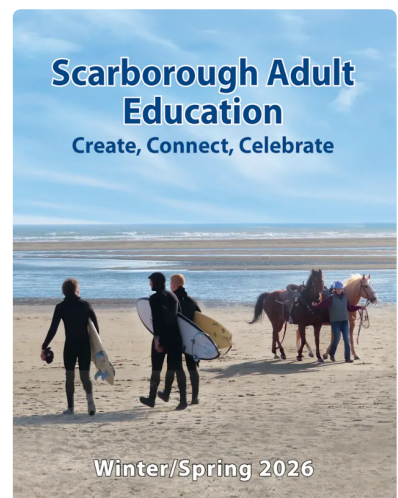


We are pleased to announce that the 2026-2027 school calendar has been officially approved by the School Board at last evening's Board Meeting. We encourage all families to review the calendar to note important dates, including holidays, and school breaks. You can find the link to the full calendar below.

[2026-2027 School Calendar](#)

Scarborough 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 end of the school year

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.

- Japan 2028 STEM Trip - Meeting June 8, 2026
 - Mr. Reagan's Summer Camps - July 2026
 - Primary PTA Night at the SeaDogs - July 17, 2026
 - 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](#)

- 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>



The advertisement features the Scarborough Public Schools logo at the top left, which includes a shield with 'SPS' and a banner. The main text reads 'We Are HIRING' in a mix of script and bold sans-serif fonts. Below this, it says 'Be part of a team helping students grow, learn, and succeed.' A list of open positions is provided, including roles like Elementary School Principal, High School STEM Teacher, and various Ed Tech positions. A circular inset image shows a person pointing at a book on a desk. Contact information for Lisa Berry is provided at the bottom, including a phone number and website URL.

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We Are
HIRING

Be part of a team helping students
grow, learn, and succeed.

Open Positions:

- Elementary School Principal
- High School STEM Teacher
- Adult Ed / Academic Instructor
- (2) Anticipated Pre-K Ed Tech III
- Ed Tech I, II, III
- Academic Support Ed Tech III
- Oak Hill Players - Producer
- Oak Hill Players - Set Builder
- Multiple Coaching Positions Available

Contact Lisa Berry

207-730-4126

www.scarboroughschools.org

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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