



Scarborough Public Schools

September 11, 2026

Remember September 11th

On the 25th anniversary of September 11th, we remember the lives lost, honor the courage of first responders and everyday heroes, and stand with the families and communities forever changed. May we carry forward the values of compassion, unity, and hope.



First Early Release Day of the 26-27 School Year



September 16, 2026

Scarborough Public Schools' first early release day of the 2026–27 school year is approaching. Please make the necessary arrangements for your child's early dismissal.

On September 16, 2026:

- **Grades 6–12:** Students will be released at **12:55 p.m.**
- **Grades PreK–5:** Students will be released at **1:45 p.m.**

To help ensure a smooth and safe dismissal, please review the following reminders:

- Confirm how your child will get home and make sure they understand the plan.
- Arrange for an adult to be home or available to supervise younger students.
- If your child will be picked up, arrive promptly at the designated location and follow school traffic and pick up procedures.
- Make sure your child's transportation plan is current with the school.
- Notify the school office in advance if there is a change to your child's regular dismissal arrangements.

- Expect heavier traffic and possible delays around dismissal times.

Thank you for planning ahead and helping us make the first early release day of the school year safe and efficient for all students and families.

September Open Houses for Pre-K to Grade 5

Here are the dates for Pre-K to Grade 5 planned Open Houses.

- **Wentworth School** - Thursday, September 17, 2026 (5:30 -6:30 pm)
- **Blue Point School** - Wednesday, September 16, 2026 (5:00 -6:00 pm)
- **Eight Corners School** - Wednesday, September 16, 2026 (5:00 -6:00 pm)
- **Pleasant Hill School** - Wednesday, September 16, 2026 (5:00 -6:00 pm)



Dental Clinic

A Dental Clinic hosted by **Greater Portland Health's Children's Oral Health Program** is coming to Scarborough Schools the week of 10/19. This program provides on-site dental services at your child's school. By enrolling your child, you provide them with access to on-site dental cleanings with a Greater Portland Health Dental Hygienist.

If interested, please complete the Children's Oral Health Program Enrollment Form at the following link - [Enrollment Form](#) - **BY Friday, 10/2-** to allow your student to receive dental cleanings at their school.

Enrollment is optional and open to all students, regardless of where they get their primary care.

If you have any questions, please call [207-874-2141](tel:207-874-2141) option 7, visit our [website](#), or contact your school nurse's office.

DENTAL CLINIC

Hosted by Greater Portland Health

WHEN?

THE WEEK OF 10/19
DURING YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL DAY

WHERE?

SCARBOROUGH SCHOOLS

WHO?

ANY STUDENT REGARDLESS OF
INSURANCE/ABILITY TO PAY

HOW?

COMPLETE THE CONSENT FORM @ THE
FOLLOWING LINK-



**CLICK HERE TO
ENROLL BY FRIDAY, 10/2**



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**NO PARENTAL
TRANSPORTATION NECESSARY**

Transportation Challenges



Please be aware that our transportation team is currently fine-tuning bus schedules and route timing as the school year gets underway. Adjustments may be necessary during the first few weeks of school as we review actual ridership and work to ensure safe, smooth, and efficient transportation for all students. For real-time information about your child's bus route and expected pickup time each day, please download the [MY Ride app](#).

PowerSchool eCollect Forms

Scarborough Public Schools will again use [eCollect for all beginning-of-year forms](#). Parents and guardians should complete forms online now, including the student profile sheet that lists all contact information, technology use agreement, medical and health information, and other required documents. We thank you in advance for completing these in a timely way, especially as it relates to updated contact information.



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Scarborough Middle School Family Newsletter 8.28.26

All SPS Newsletters are Translatable

If you look at the embedded photo above which shows you what our newsletters look like when you open them on a computer, you will see that **every newsletter we send has the ability to translate to 90 languages!!!** Harnessing the power of translation tools in Smore is an essential step in making sure ALL of our families are included and have the most up to date information.

The picture to the side shows the translate feature on a mobile device.



School Breakfast and Lunch Information



As a general reminder, all breakfast and lunch meals for all students in Scarborough Schools are FREE. All existing students whose parents have an account will be able to order breakfast and lunch using the same procedure as last year, from the Nutrislice app on a device or at the [Nutrition Program Menus](#) page (at the top of the page click "Quick links", then go to School Lunch Info for all meal menus).

Parents of Kindergarten and new students to the district will have to make a Nutrislice account through the Nutrislice app or through <https://scarboroughschools.nutrislice.com/menu/create-account> before they can order breakfast and lunch. Parents will need the child's ID# before they can start the registration process.

For breakfast meals in all of our schools, you can order online on the same day before 6:30 AM, while for lunch meals, you can order online on the same day before 7:30 AM. You can order meals for the day, or set up a weekly or monthly plan for meals to be provided to your children. The menus for all meals for a new month will be posted on the school's website and on the Nutrislice app the last Monday at the end of the previous month.

Middle and High school students do not use a pre-order system; students can select their desired meals at the time of their meal period, with additional a la carte options available for purchase at an extra cost.

What To Expect When Visiting Our Schools

Scarborough Public Schools uses the Raptor Visitor Management System in all of our schools to strengthen our program of campus safety for students and staff. Part of keeping students and staff safe is knowing who is in our buildings at all times, and the Raptor system allows us to do that. The Raptor system assists in screening visitors, contractors, and volunteers in our schools and provides a safer environment for our students and staff.



What to Expect:

- Upon being allowed through the exterior door of a district building and navigating to the main office, all visitors and outside contractors are asked to present a photo ID such as a driver's license.
- Your ID will either be scanned or manually entered into the system by office personnel at the transaction window.
- Once cleared, you will receive a pre-printed badge with your photo on it and where you are going in the building.
- You will then be directed to the appropriate location that you are going to.
- This badge must be worn at all times when in the building. When in the building, you are only approved to go to the specific location requested.
- When leaving the building, please be sure to return to the main office and sign out with office personnel.

What does the Raptor System do?

- The Raptor system checks to ensure that registered sex offenders are not entering our school campuses without our knowledge. It checks the visitor's name and date of birth for comparison with a national database of registered sex offenders. **The registered sex offender database is the only official database. No other data from the ID is gathered or recorded, and the information is not shared with any outside agency.**
- The Raptor system will also check for any court issued custodial orders, restraining orders and other custom alerts as established by the School District. The safety of our students is our highest priority, and the Raptor visitor management system allows us to quickly identify those that may present a danger to our students.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and your support in enhancing the school safety protocols in our district.

2026 -2027 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.

[2026-2027 School Calendar](#)

High School's Calendar of Events for September

Visit our [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 Storm—Scarborough strong!



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.

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:



- Gym Dandies Registration Flyer
- Information on the Cub Scouts
- Scarborough Library After School Information Guide
- Japan in 2028



Cub Scouts Information



Gym Dandies Registration



Japan 2028

Important Dates

2026-2027 School Calendar

- September 16, 2026 - Early Release Day**
- September 17, 2026 - School Board Workshop and Business Meeting

**Early release times:

Grades 6-12: 12:55pm

Grades Pre-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>

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WE ARE HIRING

OPEN POSITIONS

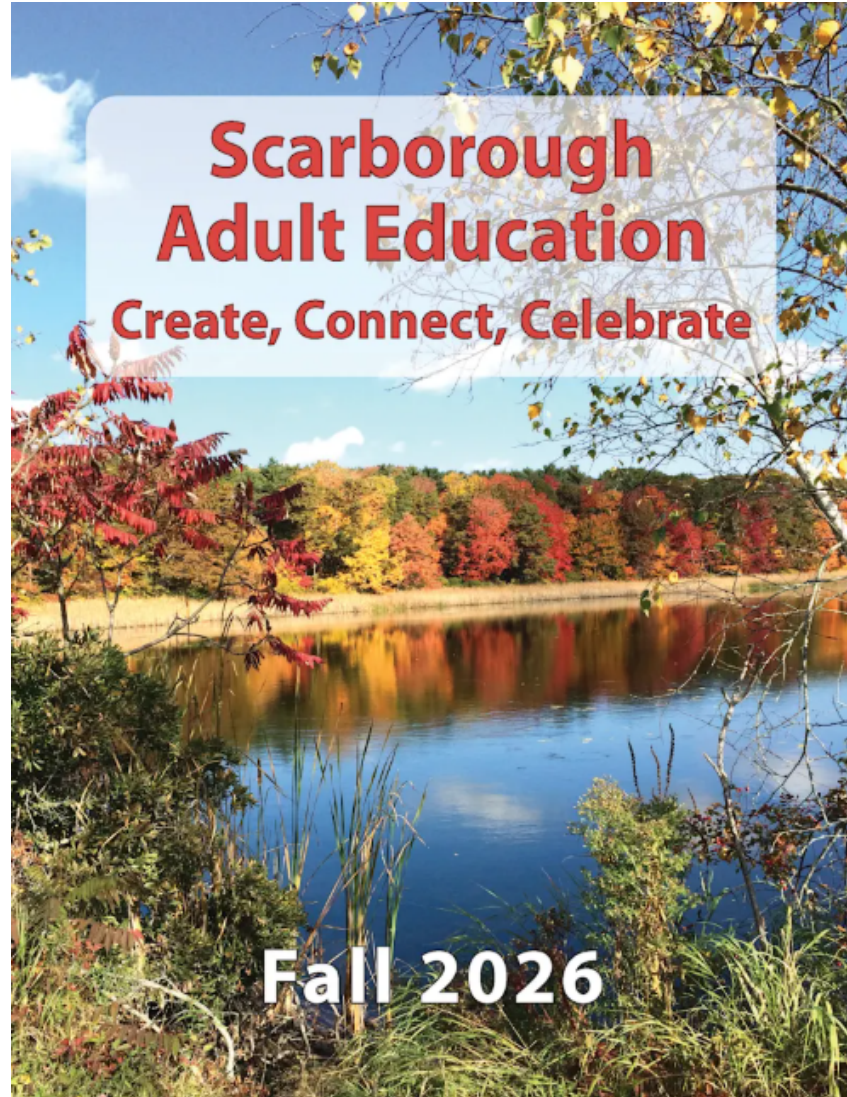
- ✓ Middle School Receptionist
- ✓ District Wide Ed. Tech. I, II, III
- ✓ Full & Part-Time Custodians
- ✓ District Wide Substitutes
- ✓ School Bus Drivers

To Apply Visit

www.scarboroughschools.org

Scarborough Adult Education

Register now for current classes. Visit our [online course catalog](#) or click the image to download our print catalog. If you have any questions about classes or programs please call Director Yvonne Wentz at 730-5040 or email her at ywentz@scarboroughschools.org. **Walk-in hours for registration are between 3PM - 6PM, Tuesdays through Thursdays.** Students may also register online at any time.



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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Website: www.scarboroughschools.org

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

Phone: (207) 730-4100

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/scarbmeschools/>

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Cheryl Callahan

Cheryl is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters