

SANFORD SPOTLIGHT

Walking School Bus Program



Rain or shine, volunteers for the Walking School Bus Program at Sanford Pride Elementary show up every day to help a group of students make the morning bus.

This is the second year of the program at Sanford Pride. Carol Lantagne is the program's coordinator. Every day before school, she and a staff member or two from Pride will walk in a specific neighborhood in Sanford to ensure kids in the area arrive for the bus on time and ready for the day.

The volunteers meet in the CVS parking lot on Main Street, approximately a half mile from the school, at 7:35 a.m.

Read more [here](#)

SRTC Program Highlight

We are highlighting all of the programs at Sanford Regional Technical Center. Read more about the Precision Manufacturing Program below.

SANFORD REGIONAL TECHNICAL CENTER



PRECISION MANUFACTURING

Students learn to use a variety of precision measuring tools and interpret drawings as they progress through a series of projects in the lab. Successful completion of the course enables graduates to fill skilled occupations in the precision manufacturing trades or pursue post secondary education in the machining industry.

Areas of Focus

- Blueprint reading
- Shop safety
- Manual Machine operation
- Computer Numerical Control (CNC) machining
- Precision measurement
- SolidWorks, AutoCAD, MasterCam
- Surface grinding
- Parts inspection
- Job planning





Certifications and College Credits

- National Institute of Metalworking Standards (NIMS)- Measurement, Materials and Safety, Benchwork, Layout and Vertical Milling
- College credits available at SMCC, CMCC and others in the MCC system
- SkillsUSA Career Competitions

What are the main objectives of the program?

The objective is to prepare students with entry-level skills for a variety of precision manufacturing careers available upon graduation. Many companies have machinist openings, like Pratt and Whitney, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, Align Precision, Nikel Precision, Sig Sauer, General Dynamics, and TurboCam. Precision Manufacturing is a skilled occupation with above-average pay and benefits.

Read more about the program [here](#)

SHS Marching Band Has Strong First Show



Congratulations to the Sanford High School Marching Band on their first MBDA show of the season on September 23. They walked away with three Stars in all captions.

Sanford High School’s marching band is in the Maine Band Directors Association Circuit. Sanford is hosting the Maine Marching Band Finals this year on Saturday, October 28.

Read more [here](#)

Sights Around Our Schools

Margaret Chase Smith



At Margaret Chase Smith, Chase was in the house for picnics during lunch last week. The students earned 267 stickers this month for acts for respect. Click [here](#) for the school's newsletter.

Carl J. Lamb



Check out the classroom winners for Spartan Spirit Day at Carl J. Lamb. They also have students volunteer to read stories to others! Click [here](#) for the school's newsletter.

Sanford Middle School



Students in Ms Joy's and Ms Wyman's classes had to work together & use strategy to create the tallest tower that could stand alone. Click [here](#) for the school's newsletter.

Sanford Pride



Check out some Pride Elementary students enjoying time at their Pops On The Playground event last week. Click [here](#) for the school's newsletter.

The Spartan Times

The Spartan Times is the high school's online newspaper. The writing staff is composed of reporters in grades 9-12 who are enrolled in or have completed the CCP Journalism Elective course or the School Newspaper Enrichment class.



On Wednesday, Sept. 20, the freshman class of 2027 heard campaign speeches and voted for their class representatives. There were a number of candidates, making it a tough election. The open office positions included class Treasurer, Secretary, Vice President and President.

Read more [here](#)

Employee Spotlight

The Sanford School Department is spotlighting employees at all of our schools. This spotlight is on Margaret Jagger, who is the Self-Contained Special Education teacher at Sanford Pride Elementary.



What makes you proud to work in Sanford?

I was born and raised in Sanford/Springvale and graduated from Sanford High School in 1993. I feel that my work, in a small way, is making a positive impact in my hometown community.

What's your favorite TV show or Movie?

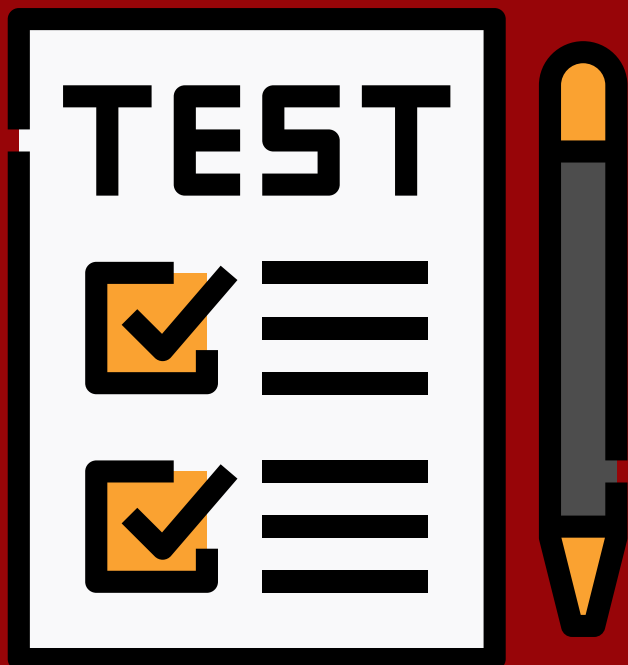
“The Goonies”!

If you could describe yourself in three words, what would they be?

Mom, dog-lover, free-spirit

Read more [here](#)

NWEA Testing



The Maine Department of Education has taken a proactive approach by adopting the NWEA assessment as the state assessment for students in grades 3-8 and 10.

The Sanford School Department has also implemented NWEA to assess students in grades K-2 and 9, ensuring a long-term collection of data that informs curriculum decisions.

The fall testing window for NWEA assessments is scheduled from October 2 to 27.

[Read more here](#)


Upcoming Flu Clinics



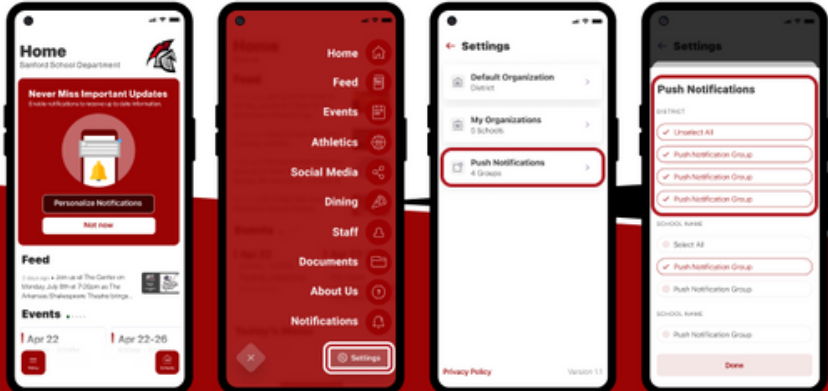
The Sanford School Department is offering influenza vaccination clinics at our schools. We are partnering with Northern Light Homecare & Hospice to provide this clinic to our students.

- **Sanford High School (Monday, October 16th at 12 p.m.)**
- **Sanford Middle School (Wednesday, October 18th from 8-10 a.m.)**
- **Margaret Chase Smith (Tuesday, October 17th from 8-10 a.m.)**
- **Carl J. Lamb (Wednesday, October 18th from 8-10 a.m.)**
- **Sanford Pride (Tuesday, October 17th at 10:30 a.m.)**

Download the Sanford Spartan App!

Don't miss any updates from Sanford! 

1. Search **Sanford School Department, ME** in your phone's app store and download the app
2. Select **'Personalize Notifications'** when prompted on initial download to ensure you receive notifications
3. Open the app and navigate to the bottom menu then tap **'SETTINGS'**
4. Access Push Notifications to select preferred group(s)



Announcements



The Sanford School Department is hiring! Scan the QR code on the left to check out all of our openings.



Click this [link](#) for a list of announcements in the Sanford Community.



Do you have a story idea that you think should be in a future newsletter? We want to hear from you! Contact Communications Coordinator Sam Bonsey at sbonsey@sanford.org.

Main Street Memo



Extra Mile Day Recognition, is Sanford the next Biddeford? and much more in the city's latest Main Street Memo. Click [here](#) to read more.

Additional links to stay up to date with the Sanford Community

- [City of Sanford](#)
- [WSSR-TV](#)
- [Sanford Athletics Instagram](#)
- [Spartan Times Online Newspaper](#)
- [Sanford Springvale News](#)