

SANFORD SPOTLIGHT

SANFORD HIGH SCHOOL



(Photo from Michelle Hulkler)

24 students were inducted into Sanford High School's National Honor Society on Tuesday, December 6. Junior and senior members this year include Emma Adawadkar, Baneen Al Beadhany, Alexander Anderson, Beckett Barlow, Ariel Cormack, Michael Cousineau, Alison Curcio, Aidan Gendron, Ava Gendron, Natalie Giles, Aaron Kiley, Haley Laurendeau, Kadedra Liscombe, Lucas Lolley, Ailey Mann, Tanner McCann, Zachary Michienzi, Tatum Milley, Alexandra Payeur, Kaylin Penley, Nathan Ghedoni, Avery Morissette, Hannah Neer, and Ella Rodriguez.

SANFORD REGIONAL TECHNICAL CENTER

Six SRTC students were recognized as "Rotary Students of the Quarter" by the Sanford-Springvale Rotary Club at their weekly meeting on Thursday, December 8. Instructors Fredric Gluck and Officer Michael "Tipper" Thornton were also on hand to speak a little about their reasons for selecting their students to be honored.

SRTC is grateful to the Sanford-Springvale Rotary Club for their partnership and for taking the time to recognize those students.



*The following students were recognized:
Taylor Church, Abigail Erickson, Chloe Fallon, Francis Hagan, Cameron Mahoney, Hannah Neer*

SANFORD MIDDLE SCHOOL



The Spartan Student Support Team at Sanford Middle School organized vaping prevention panels for 6th-8th grade students. The panels were held in the cafeteria.

The team discussed the dangers of vaping including health effects, responding to peer pressure, school and legal consequences, resources in the school and community.

A huge thank you to Cecilia Sirianni and Brent Colement for organizing these events for the students! SMS also has about 100 students who will receive a "Be The Change" award for their November & December celebration! Click [here](#) for the school's newsletter.

CARL J. LAMB SCHOOL

First and second graders in the Around The World Club at Carl J. Lamb School learned about Italian culture on Monday, December 12. The students learned how pasta was originally made in Italy. For dinner, they tried various different types of pasta from gnocchi, to penne, to spaghetti, and more.

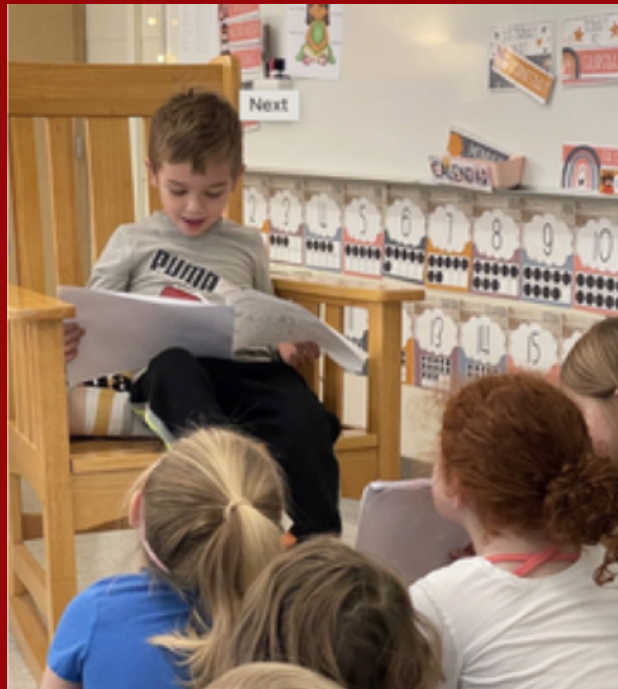
In addition, they learned a lot of Italian phrases such as "hello", "goodbye", "good morning", and "delicious". After dinner, students voted on their favorite pastas and sauces.

Also happening at CJL, third grade students in Mrs. Belanger's class created equal groups in multiplication using hula hoops. They had a lot of fun and got the concept. Click [here](#) for the school's newsletter.



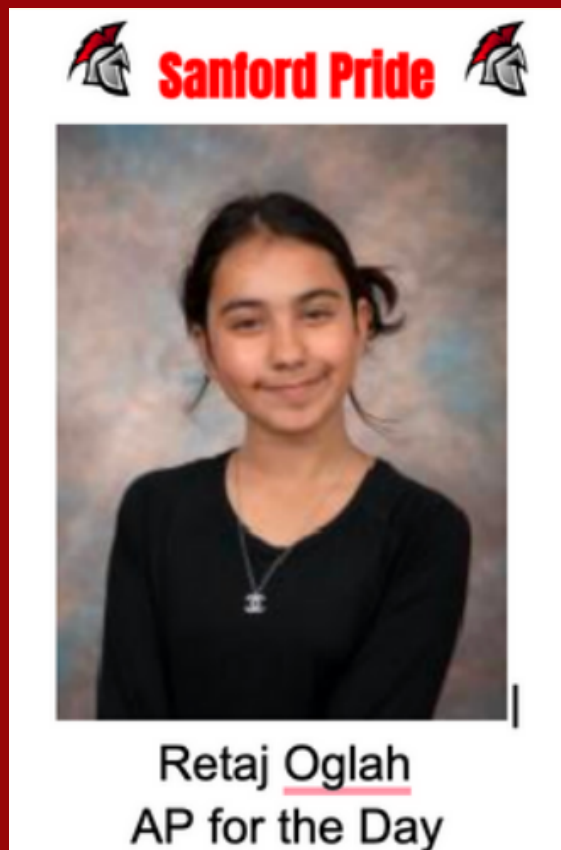
MARGARET CHASE SMITH SCHOOL

The kindergarten classes of Mrs. Wilson and Ms. Howard at Margaret Chase Smith School have been writing true stories. Students have been adding details about who, what, and where, punctuation, and spacing between words. The students were able to read their writing pieces to their class this week and get some feedback from their peers and teachers. In first grade, students are learning how to be word detectives by noticing patterns in words. First grade coyotes have learned that every syllable must have a vowel and they have mastered how to tap out syllables. Click [here](#) for the school's newsletter.



SANFORD PRIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Sanford Pride Elementary announced fourth grader Retaj Oglah as its first Assistant Principal of the day for the 2022-2023 school year. Any student that has received a High-Five or Positive Office Referral is eligible to win the opportunity to be AP of the day. Oglah was nominated by her teachers, Mrs. Curtis and Mr. Stone. She was chosen because she demonstrates Sanford's five core values every day, which are: Respect, Responsibility, Courage, Honesty, and Compassion, in all the things she does. Sanford. SPE also has "Student Leaders" that help with kindergarten recess, identify areas of improvement of the school, and much more. To find the school's newsletter, click [here](#).





SANFORD COMMUNITY ADULT EDUCATION

Sanford Community Adult Education's winter 2023 brochure is online now. Their new brochure highlights many favorite and newly added classes, including Introduction to Hoop Dance, Rebuilding to Tai Chi, Breathing 101, and much, much more. Click [here](#) to see all of their offerings. SCAE also offers indoor walking at Willard School Monday-Thursday from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. if you'd like to beat the cold weather and get your steps in. You simply need to stop by the office to sign in and out. You can also keep track of your steps on their sign-in form. SCAE has two floors, so you'll be able to stretch out in the hallways.

Sanford High School Online Newspaper

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 Sunday, Dec. 11 the SHS Marching Band participated in the Wells Christmas Parade. SHS spent the day with the Wells High School band to build community connections and continue using music to help others get into the holiday spirit.

To read the rest of the article, click [here](#).



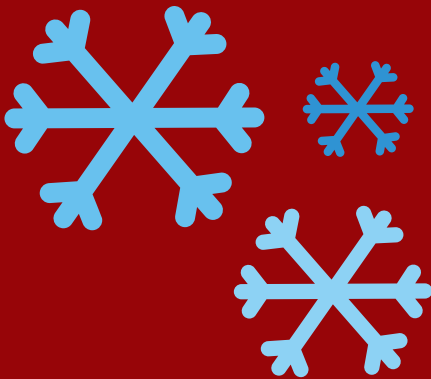
Announcements



We have made some route changes in an effort to help in the arrival times of some buses to their elementary schools. To view the changes, click [here](#).



Do you need assistance for the Holidays? Click this [link](#) available for resources available to families. Deadlines are fast approaching.



As the weather turns cold and potentially snowy or icy, it is important that you are signed up to receive notifications from the school district regarding school delays, early closing, or cancellations. Please see information regarding inclement weather [here](#).

If you would like to be on the Sanford Spotlight distribution list, e-mail Sam Bonsey at sbonsey@sanford.org

WE'RE HIRING!

The Sanford School Department has openings for Custodians, Ed Techs, Substitute Teachers, and more! Head to SchoolSpring.com, select Maine as your location, click "Find Jobs," then enter Sanford's zip code (04073) on the left side of your screen to see our job openings!



SHS MUSIC STAFF MEMBERS PERFORM WITH CASCO BAY WIND SYMPHONY

Three Sanford music staff members performed with the Casco Bay Wind Symphony on Saturday, December 10. Staff member Matt LaBerge was the featured soloist. He performed "The Grinch" and narrated "The Night Before Christmas." There were other music staff members who attended the concert as well. There were also a few Sanford families in the audience supporting the performers. Click [here](#) to watch a clip of LaBerge performing "The Grinch" with other SHS musicians playing behind him.

SANFORD IN THE NEWS!



Winter sports have just started, but some of our athletes and teams have already been featured in local news. Some of them are highlighted in the articles below.

- [Sanford wrestling top team to watch in Southern Maine](#)
- [Blood, Van Gieson athletes to watch in Southern Maine](#)
- [Sanford girls basketball beats Gorham in OT](#)
- [Kora Eckelman named to All-State Volleyball team](#)

Important Dates

December 23 - January 2nd - Christmas,
New Years and Break

January 16th - Martin Luther King Jr.
day, no school for students

January 20th - End of 2nd quarter & 1st
Semester (Grades 7-12)

Additional links to stay up to date with the Sanford Community

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