

December 15 Town Newsletter

December 31, 2019 will mean a lot of different things for a lot of different people. For members of the Scarborough school community (and beyond), it will mean the end of an era. Our outstanding and amazing Assistant Superintendent, Jo Anne Sizemore, will be retiring from Scarborough Public Schools (SPS) after over 40 years of dedicated service.

Jo Anne began her teaching journey at West Tampa Junior High School during the years of 1974-1977 where she taught reading and math. When she moved to Maine later in 1977, she became a math substitute teacher at Scarborough Junior High School. Soon she was offered a teacher's contract in July of 1978 as a Math Teacher at what was then called Wentworth Junior High, now known as the Middle School. She became the principal of the Middle School in 1990 and was honored as Middle School Principal of the Year in 2006. In 2009, she moved to Central Office as Assistant Superintendent, and was even an Interim Superintendent for one year. In 2018, she received another honor - Assistant Superintendent of the Year. Most recently (November 2019) she accepted a national honor from Junior Achievement USA for her long standing commitment to Junior Achievement Maine.

Jo Anne has touched the lives of many and will be greatly missed by countless more. Aside from her positions with SPS, she has been part of several other area organizations. She has been an adjunct professor with USM in their Educational Leadership program, as well as an active member with USM's Educational Leadership Advisory Committee. She has been a member of the Cumberland Counties Superintendent's Association, the Greater Sebago Alliance, the Scarborough Vision Committee, the Maine Principals' Association, Educate Me program, and numerous more over her 40 year span.



From all of us at Scarborough Public Schools and the entire Scarborough school community, we wish only the best for Jo Anne as she celebrates her years with Scarborough Schools and enjoys her well-deserved retirement!