

CRMS Schooner News



Kindness

Responsibility

Self Control

Grit

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday, April 2

Report cards sent home in student's backpacks.

Monday, April 5

Spring sports season begins

Wednesday, April 7

Technology Discussion via Zoom, 6:30 pm

Friday, April 9

End of Quarter 3

Monday, April 12-16

Spirit Week! Look for more details on page 2

Friday, April 16

EARLY START - 8:15 AM
ARRIVAL AND EARLY RELEASE - 11:30 AM
DISMISSAL

Monday, April 19-23

NO SCHOOL - SPRING BREAK!

Thursday, April 22

Earth Day!

Reduce • Reuse • Recycle

PLEASE REMIND YOUR STUDENTS TO CHECK THE LOST AND FOUND SHELVES FOR LOST ITEMS!

PRINCIPALS CORNER

Dear Schooner Families,

I am BEYOND grateful for the honor of being name **Maine Principal of the Year for 2022!** The award is a true testament to the excellent work our staff, students and community do here at CRMS. The celebration Monday was a great surprise and so much fun for our students! They left feeling like they won the "big game" and like they are part of something important and they are right! I'm so delighted to be able to serve this community, raise my own two children here (now 17 almost 13) alongside you. Thank you for your support and encouragement. Your emails, cards and messages have been deeply appreciated!

As we look to the hard work of parenting, we have more work to do in partnership with our parents to **support students with their technology use**. CRMS has worked very hard in the past four years to provide meaningful instruction in how to use our iPads and other technology at the school. The world around us relies heavily on adults being fluent with various platforms and applications and the world of work is especially dynamic now that our world has lived remotely for over a year. Our technology teacher, Mr. McKenzie, through our tech classes, and our teaching staff through their regular classes, have thoughtfully woven tech use into the curriculum. After four years, our students leave CRMS being able to write and manipulate code and create products using various applications; quality keynotes, google slides, google docs, Spark Videos, Garage Band, iMovie and more. We work to support our students in evaluating what a reliable source is on the internet and how to cite sources for the information they collect. In our Guidance and Second Step Curriculum, application of our Restorative Practices, Habits of Work and Learning and our Core Values, we explicitly teach and support the development of student's character social emotional skills and character development. We have common language and structures on how to do this work within the walls of our school. Typical child development, along with the speed and intensity of technology use can totally overwhelm the adolescent brain and lead to challenging situations for our children inside and out of school. This is so different from the way we communicated growing up; writing notes, making a phone call on one line from the one phone in our home in a public space. These aren't the typical available method for most children anymore. These challenges are where our work lies in partnering to support our children.

We're hoping you can join us **Wednesday, April 7th** in a zoom meeting. We will be sharing the common misbehaviors we see on both school devices AND outside of school communication. **We'll discuss the impact of technology on our teens/tweens and how can we develop our understanding of how to best support our child in navigating this technology heavy world?** I hope you can join us for this CRMS parent/guardian workshop! **We know the power of our collaboration results in powerful support for our children.** Stay tuned for more information and the links via your email.

In Partnership,
Jaime Stone, Principal

CRMS 2021 SPIRIT WEEK DRESS UP DAY SCHEDULE

Spirit Week is coming to CRMS the week of April 12-16. Our theme this year is Heroes!

We will send a more detailed parent guide on Monday 4/5, but for now we wanted to share our Dress Up Days in case your child wants to start getting ready.

Monday: Sports Day

Tuesday: Decade Day

Wednesday: Hero Day

Thursday: Wacky Hair Day

Friday: Class Color Day

- **Grade 5: Rainbow** - each homeroom has a different color - to be confirmed in the WIP on 4/2/21.
- **Grade 6: Red**
- **Grade 7: Blue**
- **Grade 8: Pink**

A REMINDER FROM STUDENT SERVICES:

SPRING SPORTS SEASON IS UPON US AND AFTER BEING COOPED UP FOR SO LONG, WE ENCOURAGE STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES AT CRMS. CRMS SPRING SPORTS ENROLLMENT HAS CLOSED BUT PLEASE CONTACT US IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SIGN UP FOR A COMMUNITY BASED TEAM.

IF YOUR CHILD IS INTERESTED IN SPRING ATHLETICS AND HAS ANY BARRIER TO PARTICIPATION, PLEASE CONTACT:

AMY LIBBY - amy.libby@fivetowns.net - 207-236-7805 x2157

TANYA YOUNG - tanya.young@fivetowns.net - 207-236-7805 x2159

MATTHEW SMITH - matthew.smith@fivetowns.net - 207-236-7805 x 2104



OUR VERY OWN MRS. STONE HAS BEEN CHOSEN BY THE MAINE PRINCIPAL'S ASSOCIATION AS THE 2022 MAINE PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR!

CONGRATULATIONS MRS. STONE!



PARENT/STUDENT REMINDER

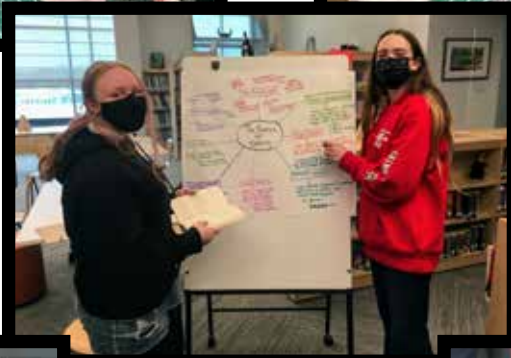
CRMS WILL BE CLOSED FOR OUR SPRING BREAK FROM MONDAY, APRIL 19TH TO FRIDAY, APRIL 23RD.

WE WILL HAVE AN EARLY START AT 8:15 AM AND EARLY DISMISSAL AT 11:30 AM ON FRIDAY, APRIL 16TH.

**ENJOY THE BREAK
EVERYONE!**

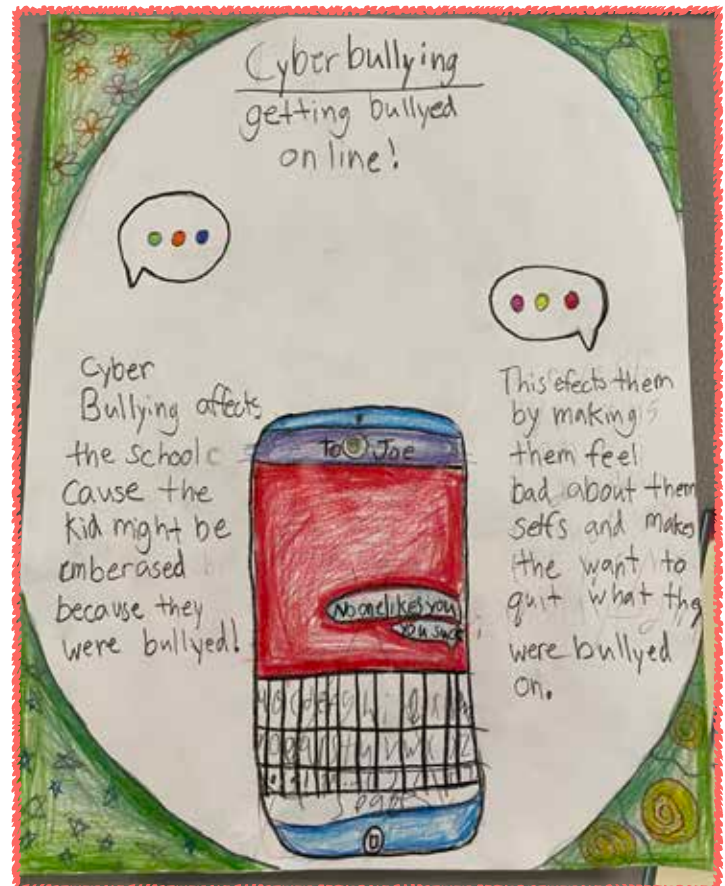
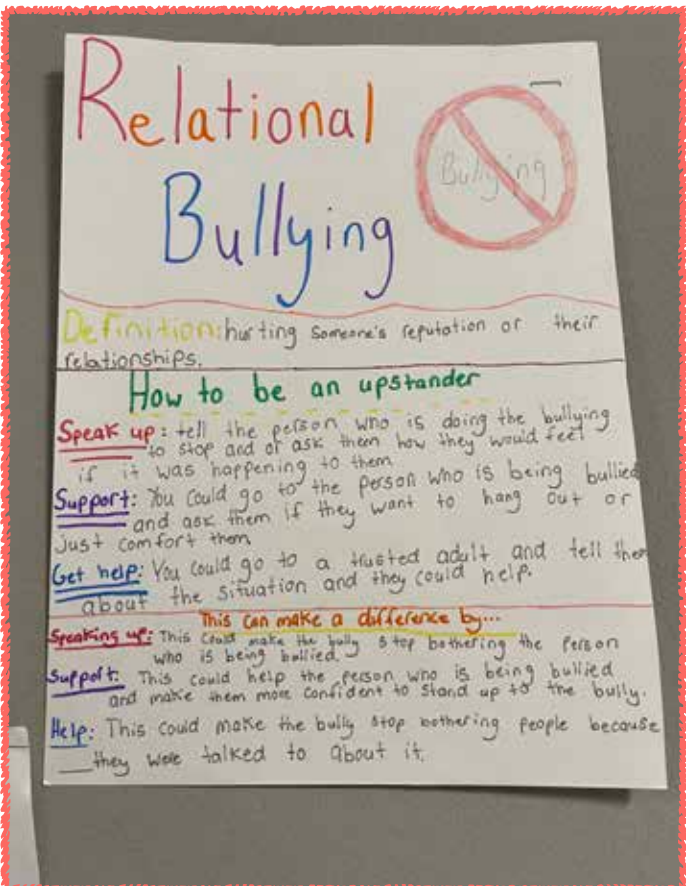
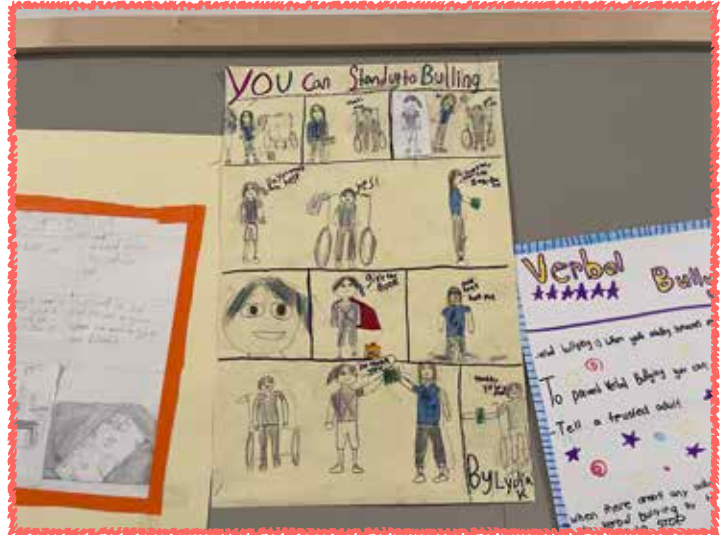
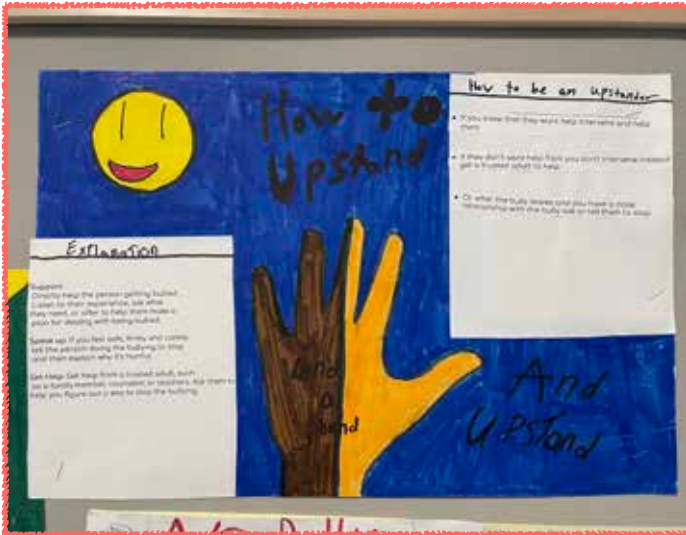
CRMS Cooking Star!

Research has begun in the library for the FCS / Science Culinary Chemistry unit. To kick us off, some student volunteers acted out an exemplar script showcasing the types of cultural, historical, and interesting facts as well as scientific concepts that are expected in student scripts. Now students are researching the scientific concepts associated with the cooking techniques in their recipes and beginning to write their scripts. We can't wait to see what kind of scientific deliciousness they come up with!



SIXTH GRADE NEWS

Sixth grade students have been learning how to recognize and respond safely to bullying and harassment, and applied their learning recently to the creation of informational posters. Winners of our poster contest are Carter Duke and Silas Moody, Lauren Spear, and Tate Hearst and Baxter Thackery.





Congratulations to our CRMS Geography Bee participants!

Our students won their classroom competitions to make it to the final Bee. Congratulations to our Geography Bee winner, Ethan Cohen! Second place, Dom Domarecki! Third place, Keagan Urey! Thank you to our Social Studies Department for organizing the bee.

WAY TO GO SCHOONERS!



Hello from the Café!

Last month was National School Breakfast Week (we decided to do more than just a week 12) and did we have fun! Fresh orange cranberry scones, corned beef hash with scrambled eggs applesauce muffins were just some of the new items—be sure and check out the April menu online to see what we've added.

Please sign up for breakfast and lunch online, you can order right from our menus! We have put helpful videos on how to set up an account, how to order and more, right on the Food service page of the school website.

Check them out!

Remember, breakfast and lunch are FREE, so don't miss out! See you soon!



CRMS Theater Club 2021

A CRMS Theater Club was created this year, instead of our traditional stage show experience. Yes COVID dramatically strikes again! Ms. Ellen Curtis directed the club, which met 3 times a week during February, March, and early April. Numbers of participants were limited due to Covid, to just fifteen 8th graders. Mrs. Julia Olson joined us once a week to contribute to our acting and blocking. Ms. Curtis chose the script *CLUE*, based on the board game, to work with. Thank you to Mrs. Hall for making character colored masks for us. We worked on character development, created and gathered our own costumes, and learned a great deal about filming and acting in our little show, something we have never done before. In the end we had a good time together, we gained new knowledge, laughed at ourselves, laughed with each other, and had FUN!

CRMS WEATHER GUIDELINES

RAIN:

A LIGHT, STEADY RAIN TO MIST MEANS WE WILL LIKELY GO OUT FOR BREAK AND RECESS. DRESS ACCORDINGLY. ALL STUDENTS WERE GIVEN A RAIN PONCHO TO KEEP AT SCHOOL.

IF IT IS POURING RAIN WE WILL NOT GO OUTSIDE UNLESS IT IS FOR A BRIEF PERIOD WITH PONCHOS.

COLD WEATHER (K-8):

CRMS STUDENTS GO OUTSIDE **WITHOUT RESTRICTION** AS LONG AS THE "FEELS LIKE" TEMPERATURE IS 0 DEGREES OR HIGHER. OUTDOOR TIME IS LIMITED TO 15 MINUTES FOR "FEELS LIKE" TEMPERATURES BETWEEN 0 AND -15 DEGREES. RECESS WILL BE HELD INDOORS WHEN THE "FEELS LIKE" TEMPERATURE ARE BELOW -15 DEGREES. ADDITIONAL CLOTHING IS AVAILABLE IN THE NURSE'S SUITE AS NEEDED. IF TEMPERATURES ARE ABOVE 50 DEGREES, WE WILL BE EATING LUNCH OUTDOORS MOST OF THE TIME.

PERFORMING ARTS NEWS

In Performing Arts students are working hard and having fun! Dancing, playing instruments, drama games, and more. This week was especially exciting as students returned to singing for the first time this year! In the classroom, students are able to safely follow CDC guidelines and vocally participate now. It's been a joy to hear their angelic voices after such a long time off from singing.





CRMS STUDENT COUNCIL

CRMS Student Council is a group of students working together to provide a voice for the student body, to build school spirit by creating or assisting with school activities, and to encourage student / faculty / community relations. Currently we have to separate councils, one for 5th grade and one that represents 6th-8th grade. This year the 6th-8th group decided to implement bylaws and create a governing board. Below are the elected officials:

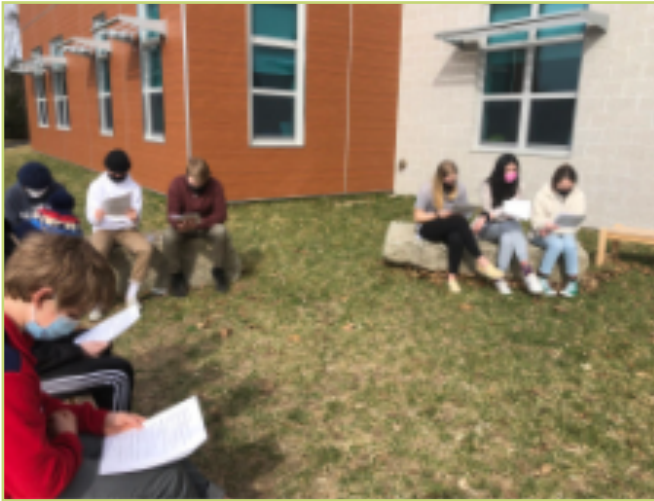
President - Connor Howland (Grade 7) • Vice President - Tessa Byrnes (Grade 8)

Secretary - Brayden Lawrence (Grade 7) • Treasurer - Nathen Gomez (Grade 6)

Historian - Jack Thornell (Grade 6)

Grade Representatives: Tessa Byrnes (Grade 8), Sam Thumith (Grade 7), Luke Davis (Grade 6). A 5th grade representative will be added soon.

Although COVID has restricted what we can do this year we're still trying to bring fun to our school community. The student council has accomplished a lot this year including Pink Shirt Day, Valentine's Day, and St. Patrick Day activities. And we are planning on having lots more! You may have noticed the poster from Pink Shirt Day or the paper hearts for Valentine's Day as well as Lucky the Leprechaun from St. Patrick's Day, that was us! Also, for the first time this year we'll be a part of Spirit Week, so far we've been involved in almost every aspect of it. From the morning sounds to how we dress on each day! I hope this inspires you to reach out to a student council member if you have any questions or concerns, and maybe think about joining in the future.



THE GREEK OUTDOORS!

This spring, 8th Grade Social Studies classes will be embracing the dramatic history of the ancient Greeks by participating outside plays, simulations, discussions and Socratic Seminars.

Here, students read through an adaptation of the Iliad!



Big Brothers Big Sisters of Mid-Maine offers 1:1 mentoring for youth in 7 counties, both in the community and in after school style programs.

**Website: www.bbbsmidmaine.org;
Email: info@bbbsmidmaine.org**

Camden, Rockland and Rockport Home Safety Initiative

March 3, 2021

Earlier this week Camden Fire Chief Chris Farley, Rockland Fire Chief Chris Whytock and Rockport Fire Chief Jason Peasley met to discuss ways to increase public awareness about fire prevention efforts in our community. We are collectively saddened by the recent fires throughout Maine that resulted in the loss of four people, one of whom was a member of our local community. As we mourn these losses, we need to remember that it is up to every one of us to prevent these types of events from happening again.

The best way we can do this is to make sure that our homes are as safe as possible. For all of us, this means making sure we have working smoke alarms on every level of our home, inside each bedroom and outside each sleeping area, smoke alarm maintenance and interconnection. It also means we should have carbon monoxide alarms on every floor of our home, outside of sleeping areas, and around carbon monoxide producing appliances. Lastly, it means taking the time to make sure things like overloaded extension cords, flammable liquids and excess clutter around heat sources are removed.

For your Fire Departments, making sure these events do not happen again means helping you make your homes as safe as possible. This can be through answering questions, providing resources, or helping you install the right alarms in the right places. The Fire Departments in Camden, Rockland and Rockport are joined together and committed to providing our community with the resources you need to prevent fires in the home. Our Firefighters are ready to come to your home to assist you. We are at our fire stations to meet with you, provide guidance or provide smoke detectors. Our 'Home Safety Initiative' is here for your benefit. In this initiative, we encourage you to contact your local Fire Department if you need any of the following:

- Smoke/CO alarm placement guidance
- Smoke/CO alarm placement installation
- Home safety surveys – looking for life safety issues in your home
- Smoke and CO detectors for those who cannot afford them
- Help with Exit Drills in the Home planning
- Answers to any other questions about home safety concerns

We have received a sizeable donation from the Camden Rotary Foundation to pursue this. However, to ensure this service remains available to those in need, any donations, from citizens or businesses, can be made to the non-profit, tax-deductible:

Pacific Engine Company
PO Box 142
Rockport, Maine 04856
Attention: Home Safety Campaign

Call us to arrange help with smoke or carbon monoxide detectors and home safety surveys. Thank you for your help in keeping our communities safe.

Camden Fire Department: 207-236-7950

Rockland Fire Department: 207-594-0318

Rockport Fire Department: 207-236-4437





Five Town Little League 2021


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We want to thank our volunteers who play their part, so that Little Leaguers everywhere can live their own epic series.



Questions?

League President: Rick Thackeray-297-233-8697
Challenger Vice President: Dana Jackson-307-458-3341
Challenger Head coach/Player Agent: Peter Rollins-307-466-2184



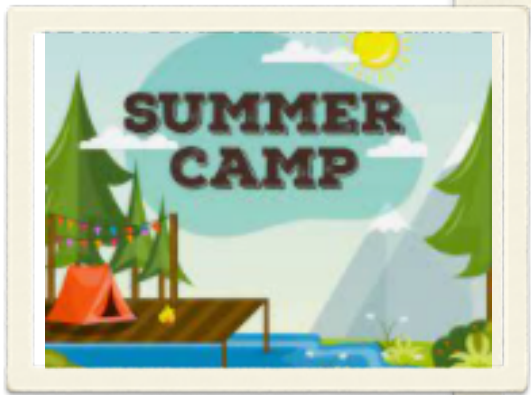
Five Town Little League BASEBALL & SOFTBALL 2021 Registration Now Open!

Athletes ages 7-12 living in Appleton, Camden, Hope, Lincolnville, and Rockport: get ready for Five Town Little League Softball and Baseball 2021! Registration is now open for Pre-Season Clinics and the Regular Season at:

<http://fll.sportsoffice.com>

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- **SOFTBALL** - Girls are eligible for softball if they were age 7 to 12 as of December 31, 2020. **If your player turned/turns 13 in 2021, she is eligible** to play Five Town Little League softball in 2021. See our Age Calculator at <https://www.littleleague.org/play-little-league/determine-league-age> if you have questions.
- **BASEBALL** – Players are eligible for baseball if they will be 12 or younger as of August 31, 2021. If your player turns 13 on or after September 1, 2021, they are considered “League Age 12” and eligible for all of 2021. See our Age Calculator at <https://www.littleleague.org/play-little-league/determine-league-age> if you have questions.
- Our **BASEBALL** and **SOFTBALL** programs are both divided into “Minors” and “Majors” divisions and will be assigned to the appropriate level based on age, ability, and experience. Minors Baseball includes both “AA/Coach Pitch” and “AAA/Kid Pitch” levels. Please visit our website for descriptions of all of our levels to determine whether your child should request a Majors tryout or register for Minors placement.
- Follow Five Town Little League on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/fivetownlittleleague>
- If you have any questions about registration for any of our programs, please visit <http://fll.sportsoffice.com>, email us at mainefivetownlittleleague@gmail.com, or direct message us through Facebook.



Mid-Coast Summer Activities Fair

We will not be holding an in-person Fair this year. We will be sharing information about summer camps and activities through our Facebook page at “Mid-Coast Summer Activities Fair.” As of now, it looks like many of our local camps and organizations plan to run programs this summer. Keep checking back for updated information!

MEGUNTICOOK ROWING




Junior Rowing Programs for ages 12-18 start NOW!
Why Row? It's great exercise, can change your future for the better and ... most of all - IT'S FUN!

Check out this Video: <https://youtu.be/gFG6bS-MiHw>

For more information or to register go to:
www.megunticookrowing.org


Questions:
anna@megunticookrowing.org



LACROSSE

Indoor Training @ The Pitch grades 3-8
Boys: Mon 5-6pm - Dates: April 5, 12, 19, 26
Girls: Wed 5-6pm - Dates: April 7, 14, 21, 28

Sign-up at the Pitch or online: <http://www.maineitch.com/lacrosse/>





MIDCOAST OUTDOOR LEADERSHIP INITIATIVE

NOW ENROLLING 2021 SPRING COURSES

technical skills | mini-expedition | building confidence



ROCK CLIMBING CANOEING SCHOONER SAILING

WEEKLONG COURSES FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS

*Need based **scholarships available** for all families*

Courses weekly: April 26 – June 5

SIGN UP AT WWW.SUNDOGOE.COM

Maine **DOE PRIORITY NOTICE**

Emergency Rental Assistance Program Available for Eligible Families

The Maine Department of Education asks that our school and district partners please share this important information with families that may need housing assistance during the COVID-19 pandemic.

MaineHousing and Maine's Community Action Agencies are accepting applications for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program. This program helps pay rent and utility costs for eligible renters affected by COVID-19. Maine's Community Action Agencies are running this program in communities across Maine.

Program information and the application link can be found here:
mainehousing.org/covidrent

Marketing Materials:
[Flyer](#)
[Social media image 1](#)
[Social media image 2](#)

For further information or questions, please reach out to MaineHousing at (800) 452-4668 or (207) 626-4600.



SWEET APRIL SHOWERS DO SPRING MAY FLOWERS.

-T. TUSSEER