



Superintendent's Report

February 26, 2026

The second session of *Raising the Resilient Child*, a four-part evening parenting series will take place on March 11, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at Tenakill Middle School. The topic, *Raising Resilient Learners at Home*, will explore parent tools for building frustration-tolerance, problem-solving, independence, and recovery after setbacks. Parents interesting in attending should register at <https://tinyurl.com/parentseries2026>.

Our Kindergarten registration for the 2026-2027 school year is underway. All information is on our district website, www.ClosterSchools.org. The link is on the main page – the first banner on the right side, entitled, Kindergarten Registration 2026-2027. If you have questions about Kindergarten registration, please call Ms. Rebecca Callahan at Hillside School.

The Board Finance and Physical Plant Committee, Business Administrator Floro Villanueva Jr., and I have been spending considerable time over the past few months putting together the 2026-2027 preliminary budget. The preliminary budget will be presented to the Board and the community on Thursday, March 12, 2026, at our scheduled Board meeting. We invite the community to attend this meeting to learn more about the budget. For those who cannot attend the March 12 Board meeting, we will record the presentation and post the video to our district website.

PTO NEWS

The Closter PTO is sponsoring their annual Read-a-Thon for Hillside Elementary School from March 2 – 13, 2026, Students can register online by visiting the [Closter PTO webpage](#).

Tickets for the Porchlight Productions are also on sale on the [PTO webpage](#). *The Little Mermaid* will be performed by students in grades 2-4 on Saturday, March 7, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. *Aladdin, Jr.* will be performed by students in grades 5-8 on Saturday, March 14, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Come support our performing artists!

The Closter PTO will host their annual gala on Friday, March 20, 2026, from 7:00 to 11 p.m. at the Edgewood Country Club in River Vale. The theme is a Garden Soirée. Tickets are on sale on the [Closter PTO webpage](#).

A reminder that Closter Public Schools will have single session day for Parent-Teacher Conferences on Tuesday, March 3, 2026. Hillside Elementary School will dismiss at 12:40 p.m. and Tenakill Middle School will dismiss at 12:25 p.m.

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