

Our district's summer programs are in full swing! We have 168 students attending academic support and enrichment classes. The programs will continue through the end of July. Thank you to the teachers, students, staff, and parents for your commitment to ensuring learning continues during the summer.

The custodians and maintenance staff are busy with their summer deep cleaning of classrooms and waxing floors. I thank them for their hard work and especially for working around the summer programs occupying both schools during July. Kudos to Mr. Chappell, our maintenance staff, and custodians for always keeping our buildings in great order!

This summer, there is work being done to update our facilities. We are installing new bookcases and a new door in the Hillside School Media Center. We are also updating some of the restrooms at Tenakill Middle School. Thank you to the Board of Education for supporting our long-range facilities plan.

The proposed Board of Education bond referendum vote will be held on Tuesday, September 26, 2023, from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at regular voting locations. A referendum information session will be held on Thursday, September 7, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the Tenakill Middle School Auditorium. If approved by the Closter voters, this bond referendum will allow us to replace boilers and replace roofs at both schools, to replace windows at TMS, and to add HVAC in the TMS gymnasium. The projects are eligible for debt service aid from the state of New Jersey, thereby reducing the cost to taxpayers. I encourage everyone to visit <u>our district webpage</u> to learn more about the September 26th referendum vote.

I wish everyone a summer filled with sunshine and time to read!

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