

The Maverick Minute

Parent Edition - 1/19/25

Principal's Note

McClure Families,

This past week we were able to take over 800 students from McClure to Stars & Strikes as a result of their positive behavior. That is amazing! Students had to collect 250 points in PBIS Rewards by demonstrating our DARE Expectations (Determined, Accountable, Respectful, Excellent) in their classrooms, our hallways, our cafeteria, and in their relationships with one another. At the end of the year, we will be hosting another event to recognize positive behavior, The McClure Carnival. There will be bounce houses, a rock-climbing wall, a dunk tank, and many other fun activities for students who earn the right to attend. Students will receive bonus time at the carnival for earning honor roll and achieving growth on the Milestones. At McClure, we believe in recognizing students for doing just what they are supposed to do every day at school. The carnival is just one more way we make this happen. Now is a good time to see how many points your Maverick has in PBIS Rewards and set that goal of saving points throughout Spring!

Sincerely, Cory Stanley

Special Event

School Musical – Legally Blonde tickets are on sale now! Come meet Elle Woods and her friends at one of our four shows:

- Thursday, February 6th @ 7:00 pm
- Friday, February 7th @ 7:00 pm
- Saturday, February 8th @ 2:00 pm
- Saturday, February 8th @ 7:00 pm

Tickets can be purchased <u>Here</u>. General admission, \$8.00 each.

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Instructional

McClure Tutoring – We are currently offering before and after school support sessions for students in the four core content areas. See the <u>McClure Tutoring Schedule</u> for details. Thank you for the additional effort on your part to get students in early and pick them up late so that they can attend tutoring sessions!

Mission:

One Team, One Goal, Student Success

Vision:

A school of excellence where all students succeed

McClure Motto:

DARE to Be a Maverick!

2024-25 Theme:

Intentional Excellence

Maverick - noun /'mav(ə)rik/
A trendsetter who is not
afraid to walk a new
path. A Maverick leads
others by encouraging
excellence, enthusiasm,
and ingenuity.



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Operational

- **8**th **Grade High School Visits** On Friday, January 24, our 8th grade students will be visiting their feeder high schools. See <u>This Letter</u> from our 8th Grade Counselor, Ms. Kristie Gordon, for details.
- **HS Registration Dates** To see the important dates for registration at Allatoona, Harrison, and Kennesaw Mountain, see <u>This</u> <u>Transition Flyer</u>. Contact 8th Grade Counselor, Ms. Kristie Gordon, with any 8th to 9th Grade transition questions.
- **Harrison STEM** Students zoned for Harrison HS may apply to their STEM program. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details. Contact 8th Grade Counselor, <u>Ms. Kristie Gordon</u>, with any 8th to 9th Grade transition questions.
- **Pebblebrook Performing Arts** Students may still audition to Cobb County Center for Excellence in the Performing Arts at Pebblebrook High School. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details. Contact 8th Grade Counselor <u>Ms. Kristie Gordon</u> with any 8th to 9th Grade transition questions.
- **Parent Survey** The Georgia Department of Education conducts surveys annually for all parents, students, and school staff. Please take a moment to complete the <u>GA Climate Survey for Families</u>. This information helps us continue to improve as a school. Thank you!
- Student Survey McClure Middle School will be conducting the Georgia Student Climate Survey school-wide on February 10-13, 2025. The Georgia Student Health Survey is an anonymous, statewide survey instrument that identifies school safety and climate issues that impact student achievement. It will take approximately 20 minutes to complete and covers a variety of topics. If you would like to examine the survey, please come by school on January 21-31 from 9:00 am 4:00 pm in the front office. Please sign and return This Form (Spanish) to the front office by January 31 if you DO NOT want your child to participate in the survey.
- Yearbook Have you reserved your yearbook yet? The price will be going up on January 24th. Order now to save! The 24th is also the date that we lock in the number of books we order. After that date we will continue to take orders until all the books are sold. Ordering by January 24th is the surest way to guarantee that you can get a book! Books can be ordered <u>Here</u>.
- 6th Grade Parents All rising 7th grade students are required to have one dose of the Tdap and meningococcal vaccines to attend school. Once your child has received the required vaccines, please send a copy of the completed Georgia Department of Public Health Certificate of Immunization Form 3231 to McClure. It can be emailed Here or dropped off at the front office. Per Georgia law, a completed immunization record must be on file for your child by the first day of the 2025-2026 school year.

PTSA

Spirit Nights – See the upcoming PTSA Spirit Nights below. (Be sure to let them know you are from McClure!) 1/24/25 @ Huey Luey's 1/31/25 @ Sparkles

Foundation

Donations for Donuts – We're raising funds for new benches around the school and bus port. Every \$40 donation to the Annual Giving Campaign helps us reach our goal! Even better...we've extended the deadline: The top two homerooms in each grade with the highest percentage of families donating by the end of January will win a sweet treat - a donut party in February! Thanks to parent-owned business, RF Interiors, for sponsoring this sugary celebration! Every contribution makes a difference. Dough-nate today! Visit: the Foundation Store or Text 'McClure' to 234-324-3332

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Foundation (Cont.)

McClure Foundation Pajama Pants – If you missed the deadline for purchase before the holidays, they are back by popular demand! These super-soft, ultra-comfy pjs are perfect for a cozy winter night and those upcoming McClure pajama days. Choose from pink or blue, for \$30 a pair (sizes XS-XXL). BONUS: Donate \$65 or more to the Annual Giving Campaign and get a FREE pair as a thank you! Don't miss out: Order by January 31st to get them in time for your Valentine (or a treat for yourself). PJ pants will be delivered to your student's homeroom before February Break. Purchase online at the Foundation Store.



Shout Out – The McClure Foundation would like to shout out our community partners for their generous donations. Thank you, RF Interiors and Cohen & Sinowski Personal Injury Law!





Community Events

YMCA Clubs – The Northwest Family YMCA has several clubs for middle school students beginning soon. See the flyers below for details:

- Middle School Madness
- Middle School Sports
- Junior Leaders
- Junior Entrepreneurs

Summer Camp Expo – Kennesaw Parks & Recreation will be holding its summer camp expo on Sunday, March 2 from 10:00am-2:00pm at Adams Park. This is a great opportunity to start planning to keep your Maverick busy during the summer. See the Kennesaw Parks & Recreation Website for information on all that they do for our community.

Olivia Kate's Path – A 5K to support a scholarship honoring Olivia Kate Pugh is scheduled for 8:30am, Saturday, February 8, 2025 at Harrison High School. See This Flyer for details.

Harrison Volleyball Youth Clinics – <u>Harrison Volleyball</u> is SUPER excited about hosting their first ever kid clinics on Wednesdays in March. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details.

- When: Wednesdays in March
- Who: Upcoming 3rd-8th graders
- Where: Hoya Center
- Why: To Learn, Develop, Play

Family STEAM Night – The North Cobb Regional Library is hosting a Family STEAM Night on Wednesday, February 19. See <u>This</u> Flyer for details.

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Community Events (Cont.)

8th Grade Strength Camp – Harrison Football is hosting an 8th Grade Strength Camp. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details.

Harrison Try LAX – Interested in trying lacrosse? Opportunities are coming up at Harrison. See This Flyer for details.

Allatoona Baseball Benefit – Allatoona Baseball's Annual Silent Auction and Benefit Dinner is coming up on January 17, 2025. It is a ticketed event (\$15) that includes dinner from 1885 at NorthStar Church, a speaker, Payton Eeles (Allatoona Alum in the Minors soon to be Majors), and the silent auction. It is a very nice community event that kicks off their season and helps the program fundraise at the same time. Information on how to get the tickets can be found in This Flyer.

Partner in Education – Tom Larson, a member of the McClure Family and a leader in the Maverick Men, was one of our amazing team members who helped rebuild The Bridge on the trail behind McClure. If you have design needs for remodeling homes or a basement, he'd love you to give him a call!



Upcoming Dates

- 1/20/25 MLK Holiday (School Closed)
- 1/23/25 6th Grade Band Concerts (6-1 @ 6:00, 6-2 @7:30)
- 1/23/25 PTSA Spirit Night @ Huey Luey's
- 1/24/25 8th Grade HS Field Trips
- 1/31/25 PTSA Spirit Night @ Sparkles