



The Maverick Minute

Parent Edition – 1/7/24

Principal's Note

McClure Families,

It was so great to have our students back in the building on Thursday and Friday to kick off this new year of learning! As students returned to McClure, we were deliberate about revisiting our DARE expectations: Determined, Accountable, Respectful, Excellent. Teachers took time to assure students knew what these behaviors look like in the classroom, hallways, restrooms, cafeteria, academically, and socially. On Friday, the administrative team met with each grade level to not only reiterate these expectations but to deliver the message that our expectations for students increase the longer they are enrolled at McClure. Our 6th grade students are no longer new to us, our 7th graders have been with us a year and a half, and our 8th graders have almost been with us three whole years! So, we challenged each grade level to increase the expectation of themselves regarding behavior, academics, and social interactions with one another. Our message was that, while 95% of our students had ZERO behavior infractions during the first semester and 65% made the honor roll, we can always do better! Thank you for your work supporting this same message at home. This collaborative work is why we are **Best in the West!**

Sincerely,
Cory Stanley

Shout Out

Perfect Score – Every 4.5 weeks, we recognize students with blocks of PBIS points.

Students can earn:

- All As – 30 Points
- As & Bs – 20 Points
- Cs or better – 10 Points
- Perfect Attendance – 10 Points
- No Missing Assignments – 10 Points
- No Minor Behavior Infractions – 10 Points

Some students earned a perfect 60 points at the end of Quarter 2. See the list of superstars [Here](#) and look for those points in PBIS Rewards.

Instructional

McClure Tutoring – Our core content area teams in each grade level are here to support our students before and after school. See the [McClure Tutoring Schedule](#) 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!

2023-24 Theme:

Best in the West!

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

Yearbook – Order your yearbook now! Make sure you get your order in soon, the cost of the yearbook will go up at the end of the month, reserve your book now to lock in the lower price! You can order your book from the [Yearbook Order Center](#). We can't wait for you to see what the yearbook class is creating!

School Musical – They're creepy and they're kooky, mysterious and spooky. They're all together ooky. They're the Addams Family and they are coming to McClure on February 1, 2, and 3rd! Come see our students perform in the Addams Family Musical, and help Wednesday Addams and Lucas Beinecke find true love. [See show details and order your tickets now](#). Tickets will be sold at the door, but many of our productions do sell out before the day of the performance.

Girls Who Code – The Girls who Code club will resume, Monday, January 8th immediately afterschool in the LLC. If you have not registered your student, please register them this weekend so they may receive their free gifts. Parents, please plan to pick your students up by 5:20pm.

Stars & Strikes Field Trips – The PBIS field trips to Stars & Strikes are this week! Parents must give permission through [ParentVue](#). See [Web Browser Instructions](#) and the [Mobile Instructions \(Spanish\)](#) for details. The cost of the trip is \$10, which is an amazing deal (thanks to funds from Apex Games). Students will receive pizza, soda, laser tag, bowling, and unlimited gaming! Payment can be made through [MyPaymentsPlus](#).

6th Grade Parent Survey – Our Wellness Committee would like all 6th grade parents to complete a brief survey so that they can better meet the needs of our community. Please see their [Survey Request Letter](#) for details and complete the survey [Here](#).

January Events – Keep up with everything at McClure with the [January Calendar of Events](#).

PTSA

Shout Outs – Thank you UNIBLOC for your generosity and kindness this holiday season! The food and gift cards are so appreciated for the families in need.

Thank you North Metro Church for January's HUGE donation of food that fills our weekly Friday blessing bags. Thank you for your continued support and kindness!

Questions – Email mcclureptsa@gmail.com



Foundation

Annual Engagement Drive – The McClure Foundation would like to encourage all our Maverick families to participate in the Annual Engagement Drive! The Foundation provides funding for projects at McClure that go beyond what the district can offer, such as our updated S.T.E.M. Labs and new digital bulletin boards. Help us raise \$10,000 to purchase additional AV equipment. Families can support our incredible school by giving a \$25 or more with 3 ways to give:

- Buy a personalized lobby horseshoe
- Schedule a birthday message on the marquee
- Make a monetary donation

Check out [This Flyer](#) for more information and to donate online today!



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Community Events

Harrison Lacrosse – Harrison is hosting free TryLax day at Harrison High School Stadium January 28th for anyone who is interested, boy or girl. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

GA Pistols AAU Girls Basketball – Tryouts for girls in 3rd to 8th grade will be held on January 13th at Core 4, and January 28th at Holy Innocents from 5:00 to 7:00. Click [Here](#) for details.

Jr. Mustangs Swim & Dive – The swimming and diving season is just about to begin for the Jr. Mustangs. There is no experience necessary to participate. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

KMHS Cadet Guard – The Kennesaw Mountain Band is forming a Cadet Guard. See [This Flyer](#) for details!

After School Program – Did you know that Kennesaw Parks & Recreation transports students every day directly from McClure to the Ben Robertson Community Center for their after-school program? This is a great service that includes tutoring support for academics as well as recreation for students. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

Upcoming Dates

- 1/8 – Girls Who Code Club @ 4:30 in the LLC
- 1/9 – 6th Grade Stars & Strikes Field Trip
- 1/10 – 7th Grade Stars & Strikes Field Trip
- 1/10 – McClure Foundation Meeting @ 8:15 in the PDR
- 1/10 – PTSA Executive Cabinet @ 9:30 in the PDR
- 1/10 – PTSA Meeting @ 10:00 in the PDR
- 1/11 – NJHS Meeting @ 8:00
- 1/11 – Mock Milestones Assessment
- 1/12 – 8th Grade Stars & Strikes Field Trip
- 1/15 – MLK Holiday (School Closed)