



The Maverick Minute

Parent Edition – 10/13/24

Principal's Note

McClure Families,

I hope everyone had a great weekend and you were able to get outside and enjoy the amazing fall weather! Tomorrow, we begin the second quarter of learning at McClure. It's hard to believe, but the 2023-24 school year is already 25% behind us. (Time flies when you're having fun!) Now is a great time to have a goalsetting conversation with your Maverick regarding the upcoming quarter. If the first quarter went well, what will be done to continue those practices? If the first quarter did not go well, what changes will be made to improve on those difficulties? At McClure, we believe that when a student knows the target they are aiming for, they will hit it 99% of the time. That is why in every classroom, every day, students see a learning target posted on their classroom whiteboard. This gives them a destination for their learning within each class period. What targets will you help your Maverick establish for the second quarter? Thank you for taking time to have this discussion as we embark on the next leg of our journey. Have a great remainder of your Sunday night!

Sincerely,
Cory Stanley

Shout Outs

Students of the Month – Congratulations to the following students who were selected as our October Students of the Month. We will be celebrating them at 8:00 on October 31st in the LLC. Look for a McClure Student of the Month yard sign in your neighborhood celebrating these Mavericks!

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| Ava Ryals (6) | Jackson Gandhi (6) |
| Kosuke Ohashi (6) | Hoke Parson (6) |
| Alisia Victoria (7) | Caleb Mosley (7) |
| Madison Hodge (7) | Coco Smith (7) |
| Khloe Norton (8) | Lacey LeBlanc (8) |
| Damani Murray (8) | Josiah Gutierrez (8) |

New Maverick – Please help us welcome our new school nurse, Ms. Alba Bravo. She has been working in a supply role with us and we are thrilled that she made the decision to join the McClure Team permanently! Welcome Nurse Bravo!



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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Shout Outs (Cont.)

Lunch Heroes – This week is National School Lunch Week and we have an amazing team of Mavericks in our cafeteria, led by the irreplaceable Ms. Lisa Lovern. They served up chicken wings and onion rings at lunch on Friday to celebrate with students. Help us give these lunch heroes some extra love this coming week!

Instructional

Digital Learning Day – Tomorrow, 10/14, is a Digital Learning Day across CCSD. This means that students will not report to McClure. However, this does not mean that they do not have schoolwork for which they are responsible. Students should check the CTLS Class Board for each of their seven classes to assure they have completed all assignments posted.

Quarter Two – Tomorrow is the start of the second quarter. Students may have schedule changes for their MavBlock class as some of our third period classes change every quarter. Now is a great time to assure your Maverick gets off to a great start. It is always easier to keep grades high when they start that way. Digging out of a hole is tough!

PSAT 8-9 – 8th Grade parents, the PSAT will be administered on October 23, 2024, at 9:15 am. There is only one day of testing with no make-up days. Therefore, it is important for all students to be in attendance and on time that day. Please [Click Here](#) for more details.

Operational

Conference Week Schedule – The schedule for the week can be found [Here](#).

Counselors' Conference Information – Please see the information below with information from our counselors that accompanies Conference Week:

- [Bridge Bill Letter 6/7 \(Spanish\)](#)
- [Bridge Bill Letter 8 \(Spanish\)](#)
- [HS Advisement 8 \(Spanish\)](#)
- [HS Advisement Resource Guide \(Spanish\)](#)

Picture Make-Up Day – Fall Picture make-up day is this Tuesday, October 15. To purchase pictures, visit www.strawbridge.net, and enter code FM448772.

Performing Arts Envelopes – Last Friday, your Maverick should have come home with a Performing Arts Donation Envelope. Funds donated for performing arts are used to bring in performing ensembles to all schools across Cobb. This year, we will have events for all three grade levels at McClure. Thank you for contributing to this cause if you can. Donations can also be made through [MyPaymentsPlus](#).

8th Grade Yearbook Tribute Ads – Eighth Grade Parents, now is the time to create a yearbook tribute ad for your student. Honor their achievements and growth through their middle school years with an ad that you design. Ads can be created at the [Yearbook Order Center](#) between now and October 31st. Ad pages are filling up so don't delay!

Cognia Survey – If you have not already, please take a moment to complete [This Survey](#) for McClure (even if you have a student at another CCSD school). Thank you for your time!

EOG Schedule – Planning all the way ahead to springtime? Here is the [Schedule](#) for Milestones End of Grade and End of Course testing. Go ahead and mark your calendar for your grade level(s) now!

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PTSA

8th Grade Shirts – In addition to the regular McClure spirit wear being sold, PTSA has a special 8th grade shirt for our students. They will be on sale from 10/6-10/20. The back of the shirt has the class list of names and will be a special memento to have from middle school. Orders will be ready and distributed to the homeroom at the beginning of November. Place your order [Here](#) today!

Snacks Needed – The Hospitality Committee will be providing snacks for teachers during conference week. We hope parents will help contribute. Volunteers will be in car line and at the bus port before school on 10/11 to collect donations! Please see the [Sign-Up Genius](#) to see how you can participate in showing your appreciation to our teachers. We are grateful for the help!

Spirit Wear (LAST CALL) – Last opportunity of the year to purchase your spirit wear hoodie or t-shirt! The [Merch Store](#) will be open from 10/6–10/20. Orders will be distributed to the homeroom in early November. All sales are final with no exchanges.

Spirit Night – This Tuesday, 10/15, is a PTSA Spirit Night at Otter’s Chicken @ Kennesaw Marketplace. Be sure to let them know you are from McClure!

Red Ribbon Week – Red Ribbon Week this year will be October 28th through November 1st. See [This Flyer](#) for details on how your Maverick can participate and celebrate their commitment to being drug free!

Questions – Have a question for PTSA or want to join a committee? Email us at mcclureptsapresident@gmail.com

Foundation

Our Mission – Our mission is to create opportunity for ALL McClure Students by providing funding in innovation and technology. Donate Today! Join the 2024-25 [Annual Giving Campaign](#) to support projects benefitting all Mavericks! Visit the [Foundation Online Store](#) to snag some awesome Maverick merchandise, buy birthday messages, make donations, and purchase personalized lobby horseshoes on [Foundation Website](#).

Business Partners – Calling all parents with businesses! Your support of our school foundation can make a significant impact on our students' education. Partner with us to help provide vital resources and opportunities that will empower our kids to succeed. To be a corporate sponsor, please [Click Here](#) for more information!

Maverick Scarecrow – If you are a Facebook user, click on [This Link](#) and like the Foundation's entry in the Scarecrow on Main competition in downtown Kennesaw. If you would also share it on your own personal timeline that would be awesome. The Foundation does a lot for us, this is an easy way to say thanks!

Community Events

Harrison Top Dog Wrestling – Harrison Jr. wrestling season is right around the corner. See [This Flyer](#) for details.



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Community Events (Cont.)

Jr. Hot Shotz Dance Team (AHS) – See [This Flyer](#) for information on Allatoona High School’s Jr. Hot Shotz Dance Team.

Jr. Bucs Wrestling – See [This Flyer](#) for information on Allatoona High School Junior Bucs Wrestling.

Upcoming Dates

- 10/14 – Digital Learning Day (Students do not report to campus but should check CTLs for all seven classes to complete assigned tasks)
- 10/14 – First day of Q2
- 10/15 – Fall Picture Makeups
- 10/15 – PTSA Spirit Night @ [Otter’s Chicken](#)
- 10/15-18 – [Conference Week](#) (Dismissal @ 1:30)
- 10/16 – Bus Driver Appreciation Breakfast
- 10/16 – 6th & 8th Grade Scoliosis Screening for any student who has not opted out
- 10/23 – PSAT 8-9 Testing (8th Grade Only)
- 10/28-11/1 – [Red Ribbon Week](#)