



The Maverick Minute

Parent Edition – 10/27/24

Principal's Note

McClure Families,

The **Intentional Excellence** we demonstrate in our partnership between parents and school is a huge reason McClure Middle School is "The Best in the West." For this reason, we always want you to feel as though you have access to all the information you need to support your McClure student at home, especially now that we are well on our way into the second quarter of the '24-25 schoolyear. The following are items that you should keep an eye on regularly to monitor your student's progress:

- [ParentVue](#) – See your student's grades.
- [PBIS Rewards Family](#) – See your student's positive behavior points and monitor minor behavior infractions.

The following are the best ways to keep up with what is going on at school:

- [Maverick Minute](#) – Read it weekly for school updates.
- [CTLS Parent](#) – Install the app to keep up with school alerts and CCSD news.

Of course, you may also have questions that the above resources don't answer. In that case we are *always* here to help you find answers. [Email a teacher](#) or call the front office and we will work as a team to get you the information you need to support your Maverick at home! Thank you for your partnership in education!

Sincerely,
Cory Stanley

Shout Outs

Literacy Leader School – This past week, McClure was recognized for literacy leadership by State School Superintendent Richard Woods. This recognition was based on our 2023-24 Milestones literacy proficiency as compared with the previous year. Shout out to our 6th Grade ELA and reading teams, who were recognized for exceptional growth. And shout out to our 8th Grade ELA and reading teams, who we recognized for achievement, with over 90% of our 8th graders scoring in the proficient or higher range in literacy. McClure was the only middle school in West Cobb that received this recognition, and we could not be more proud of our teachers and students!



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.)

GCSS Presenters – Shout out to Ms. Kelsey Born and Ms. Jeanine Floyd who represented McClure amazingly as presenters at the Georgia Council for the Social Studies Annual Conference last week in Athens! (They also got to rub shoulders with some celebrity personalities!)



Perfection Points – Every 4.5 weeks, we recognize students who do exactly what they are supposed to do at McClure with blocks of points in PBIS Rewards. At the end of Quarter 1, we delivered points as described in the list below and we had 136 students earn points perfection and receive all 70 possible points. Amazing! See the list of perfect scorers [Here](#).

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

Q1 Honor Roll – Shout out to the 721 Mavericks who will receive Honor Roll recognition for [Principal's Honor Roll](#) and [A/B Honor Roll](#) this Friday, 11/1!

- 8th Grade – 10:00am
- 7th Grade – 1:00pm
- 6th Grade – 3:00pm

Operational

Holiday Support – With the holidays right around the corner, our School Social Worker and PTSA are collaborating to support families in need. Families can sign up for a Thanksgiving Basket [Here](#). Looking ahead to Christmas, you can also register in early November for the Must Ministries Toy Shop. See [This Flyer](#) ([Spanish](#), [Portuguese](#)) for more information on both!

Dress up for \$1 – This Thursday is Halloween! As part of [Red Ribbon Week](#), we are encouraging students to “Dress up for a Dollar.” Funds collected will go to the PTSA outreach program. Students may also choose to [Donate a Food Item](#) instead of donating \$1.

6th Grade Student-Parent Battleship – How would you like to spend a morning with your student(s) playing one of McClure’s best PE games? Well, you can. Here’s an opportunity for you to perform two amazing feats all in one morning. One, play Battleship with/against your student and two, donate a canned good for our Thanksgiving food drive. So, mark your calendars and join us Monday, November 11th from 8:00 to 8:50 am in the wooden gym. We ask that you wear some type of athletic shoes to participate. If you should have any questions, feel free to reach out to Coach Scott Hausdorf at scott.hausdorf@cobbk12.org. We look forward to seeing you on Nov. 11th!

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Operational (Cont.)

Spelling Bee – The McClure Spelling Bee will be held on Friday, December 6th @ 9:30. Students may register [Here](#). See [This Flyer](#) for details.

HS Football – Reminder that middle school students are not allowed entry into CCSD high school football events unless accompanied by an adult. So, dropping off your Maverick for a high school football should not be an option for you on Friday nights. Harrison, Allatoona, KMHS, and all the high schools across Cobb send their thanks for your support.

8th Grade Yearbook Tribute Ads (LAST CALL) – 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!

Yearbook Class Request – A special request from Mr. G and the yearbook class: Last month, at the annual yearbook advisors meeting, McClure was singled out not only for selling 10% of our books, but also for selling over 30% of our books by the end of August. There was only one other school in northwest Georgia that beat our sales record. We've never had that many sales by the end of August, so thank you for supporting our yearbook! The next goal post is to sell half of our books by October 31st. While we have had great support and sales throughout the years, we've never sold that many books so early in the year. We are only 17 books away from reaching that goal. There's no prize at stake other than bragging rights but I know the class would love to reach the goal! The price of the yearbook will go up in January, so reserving your book now will save you money. You can order your yearbook [Here](#). As always, thank you for supporting our yearbook!

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PTSA

Thanksgiving Sponsors – Help sponsor a McClure family in need this Thanksgiving. The PTSA coordinates with our School Social Worker to provide food baskets to families at Thanksgiving. If you would like to contribute, [Donate Here](#) or see [This Flyer](#) for details.

Reflections Winners – Congratulations to all our Maverick Winners of the 2024 PTSA Reflections Art Contest. We had some amazing entries and are happy to announce the winners in each category:

- 6th grade - Choreography: Mattie Wilson
- 6th grade - Literature: Aahana Butani
- 6th grade - Music: Averi Ellis
- 6th grade - Photography: Rhea Adkins (1st and 2nd place)
- 6th grade - Visual Arts: Mirabelle Surace (1st) and Rhea Adkins (2nd)
- 7th grade - Visual Arts: Bhuvana Kruthi Sonti (1st) and Mia Urdaneta (2nd)
- 8th grade - Film: Laura Robson
- 8th grade - Literature: Ansley Kimbrough (1st) and Tanvika Karavalla (2nd)
- 8th grade - Music: Tristan Key
- 8th grade - Visual Arts: Tanvika Karavalla

We hope to see another round of amazingly artistic entries in 2025!



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PTSA (Cont.)

Last, Last Call for Spirit Wear – We have extended the deadline to purchase [McClure Spirit Wear](#) (hoodies and t-shirt) AND the [8th Grade T-shirt](#) until Sunday, November 3rd at midnight. Don't miss out!

Thank You – A big thank you from PTSA Hospitality to everyone who donated time, money and snacks for Conference Week. We also provided a lovely catered breakfast to honor our bus drivers on Wednesday. A special thank you to Audrey Zohner for sharing her baking expertise all week by providing amazing baked goods. Our goal is to love on the McClure staff to express gratitude for making McClure the best school for our students. Thank you for partnering with us!

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!

Spirit Night – This Friday, 11/1 is a PTSA Spirit Night @ Urban Air. Be sure to let them know you are from McClure!

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

Foundation

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!

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](#).



Community Events

GA Pistols Basketball – Winter training sessions begin for girls in ages 8-18. See [Their Website](#) for more information.

North Cobb Soccer – NCHS is hosting informational session parents regarding their soccer programs. See the [Parent Flyer](#) for details.

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

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.

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Upcoming Dates

- 10/28-11/1 – [Red Ribbon Week](#)
- 10/30 – NJHS @ 8:00
- 10/31 – Dress up for \$1 (Funds go to the PTSA outreach program)
- 11/1 – Q1 Honor Roll Celebrations in the Theater:
 - 8th Grade – 10:00am
 - 7th Grade – 1:00pm
 - 6th Grade – 3:00pm
- 11/1 – PTSA Spirit Night @ Urban Air
- 11/5 – Election Day (No School)
- 11/11 – 6th Grade Student-Parent Battleship @ 8:00 in the Wooden Gym