



The Maverick Minute

Parent Edition – 10/8/23

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 Out

Student Broadcast – Shout out the [McClure Foundation](#) for the support of our student-run broadcast. Recently, an electrical storm fried much of our broadcast equipment, including cameras and our video mixer. In swooped the McClure Foundation to the rescue! Last Friday, we were able to get back on the air with newly updated equipment. Thank you to the McClure Foundation and everyone one of you who has partnered with them this year! Look for new opportunities to support the foundation coming up during conference week!

Instructional

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!

Bonus DARE Day this Wednesday for students with three or fewer missing assignments Q1!

Mission:

*One Team, One Goal,
Student Success*

Vision:

*A school of excellence
where all students
succeed*

McClure Motto:

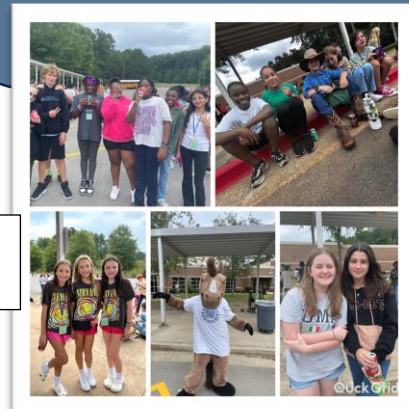
DARE to Be a Maverick!

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

Iowa Testing – This week 7th Grade students continue Iowa Testing. These nationally normed tests will give you feedback as to how your 7th grader is performing compared to similarly aged peers across the county. See the [Iowa Parent Letter](#) for details. Also, see the [Iowa/CogAT Schedule](#) to see what each school day will look like for your Maverick.

Conference Week – Conference Week is coming! For your planning purposes, see the [Conference Week Schedule](#). Wednesday, 8th Grade is taking the PSAT 8-9, the schedule for that day can be found [Here](#).

October Calendar – Use the [McClure October Calendar](#) to keep up with everything coming up this month!

Absence Reporting – Please remember that all communication regarding student absences, including doctor's notes, needs to be sent to mccluremssupport@cobbk12.org.

Yearbook Ads – Did you know that 8th grade parents can purchase an 8th Grade Tribute Ad in the yearbook? Eighth grade parents, honor your student's middle school years with a tribute ad in the yearbook! Log on to the [Yearbook Order Center](#) to custom design your ad soon. They are only available for a short time and space is limited.

PTSA

Reflections – All PTSA Reflections Contest entries are due to the McClure LLC by 8:45 this Tuesday, 10/10.

Conference Week – Conference Week is coming soon (October 16-20). Each year, we provide snacks and treats for the teachers so they can grab a quick bite to eat between parent meetings. This year, our lineup includes: grab 'n go snacks, cookies and brownies, make-your-own trail mix, and cupcakes galore. We appreciate your help keeping our McClure staff going strong during Conference Week! Please sign up [Here](#).

7th Grade Social – Attention 7th Grade Parents, the 7th grade social is Thursday, Oct. 26th, right after school from 4:30-6pm. The theme is HALLOWEEN! We would love your help to make this event a success. Please see the [Sign-Up Genius](#) to donate supplies or sign up for a volunteer slot. There's also an Amazon wish list if you would rather order items. Thanks so much in advance.

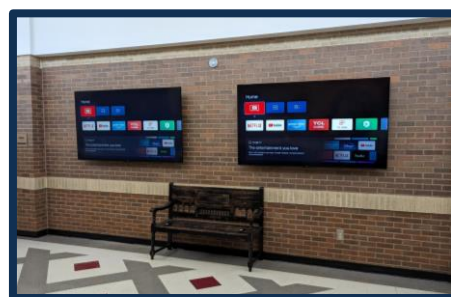
Upcoming Spirit Nights:

- 10/17 5pm-9pm @ Otter's (Cobb Pkwy)
- 10/27 4pm-8pm @ Sparkles (McCollum Pkwy)

Questions – Email mcclureptsa@gmail.com

Foundation

Technology Update – Notice some new technology in the front lobby and front offices? That is thanks to the [McClure Foundation](#). We always want our parents to have up-to-date information at their fingertips. The McClure Foundation is helping us assure we provide that to everyone that walks in our doors. Plus, the new "Bulletin Boards" look very sharp!



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Foundation (Cont.)

Scarecrow – Did you see the Maverick Scarecrow in downtown Kennesaw? The City of Kennesaw will be uploading pictures of each scarecrow to their [Facebook Page](#) so that the community can vote on their favorites. Please vote for our Maverick so that we can win a People’s Choice Award. Thanks to the McClure Foundation for representing McClure so well!



Community Events

Mattress Sale – The KMHS Bands are hosting a mattress sale next Saturday, 10/14. They have generously shared a [Discount Coupon for Heroes](#) (doctors, polices, firefighters, etc). They hope you can attend and support their amazing programs!

Winter Basketball Training – The GA Pistols are offering winter basketball training for interested girls. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

Bus Drivers Wanted – CCSD is now hiring bus drivers. See [This Flyer](#) for details!

Upcoming Dates

- 10/9-12 – 7th Grade Iowa Testing
- 10/10 – All PTSA Reflections entries due in the LLC by 8:45am
- 10/16 – Asynchronous Learning Day (Students do not report to school)
- 10/16-20 – Conference Week
- 10/17 – PTSA Spirit Night @ Otter’s