



The Maverick Minute

Parent Edition – 11/17/24

Principal's Note

McClure Families,

It is hard to believe but there is only one more week until Thanksgiving Break! Our students have been working very hard throughout this second quarter and our teachers have been slowly but surely raising the level of rigor expected of their learners as the year progresses. When I speak to our staff, I often mention that they will not be able to give their all to our students if they are not taking care of themselves and their families first. When we get to a break like the one we have next week, I always remind them to rest and recharge with those that they love. The same is true for our families! At the end of this coming week, I hope that both you and your student(s) will be able to relax and recharge prior to the next stretch of the school year. Thank you for all you do to support your Maverick at home. Just like at school, we know this is exhausting work on your end! Have a great week and a Happy Thanksgiving!

Sincerely,
Cory Stanley

Special Event

Ornaments of Cheer – Help us help families in need this holiday season and decorate our tree! Instead of taking a tag off the giving tree we ask that you [Make a Contribution](#) to add an ornament to our giving tree when you donate a gift card. The more donations, the more decorated our tree will be! Once you commit to donate via sign up, gift cards can be sent via mail or dropped off at our front office. See the tiers of giving below, and see more details and the link to give [Here](#).



\$25 – White

\$75 – Navy

\$50 – Blue

\$100 – Silver

Shout Outs

Students of the Month – Shout out to the November Students of the Month! We will be celebrating them this Thursday, 11/21, @ 8:00 in the LCC. Look for a McClure Student of the Month yard sign in your neighborhood!

6 th Grade	7 th Grade	8 th Grade
Jasmine Sankey	Josiah Tatum	Nahzir Simmons
Lauren Kennedy	Sarah Soczewka	Margot Francois
Ma'Kaylah McClary	Sasha Adebajo	Phoebe Dennisson
Averi Ellis	Cayden Kelly	Bennett Robb

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.)

Support Professionals – This Wednesday, 11/20, is National Educational Support Professionals Day. This day is dedicated to the celebration of cafeteria staff, custodians, bus drivers, paraprofessionals, nurses, clerical professionals, tradespeople, and technical staff. We have an amazing team at McClure supporting students and teachers. Let's celebrate them this week!

Substitute Teachers – This Friday, 11/22, is National Substitute Educator Day. We have amazing community members that are subbing with us nearly every day. Shout out to our amazing subs!

Operational

Thanksgiving Lunch – This Wednesday, 11/20, Ms. Lovern and her amazing band of Lunch Heroes will be serving up our annual Thanksgiving meal in the cafeteria for lunch. Make sure your Maverick has funds in their lunch account. They won't want to miss it!

PBIS Field Trip – We have set dates for our PBIS Rewards field trip to Stars and Strikes, which can be seen in the upcoming dates at the bottom of this newsletter. The cost of the trip will be 250 PBIS Points plus a cash payment that is TBD but is typically \$10-15. Funds from Color Battle help supplement the trip and keep it very inexpensive for students. The cutoff for purchasing the trip in PBIS Rewards is Friday, 12/13. Students need to look under Events in the PBIS Rewards App to purchase the trip with their points. Because this is a trip to recognize positive behavior, students can strike out of the trip if they have three strikes between 11/4 and the date of the trip.

- Detention – 1 Strike
- 1 Day of ISS – 2 Strikes
- 1 Day of OSS – 3 Strikes

Morning Drop Off Reminders – Please remember the following when dropping off students in the morning:

- Students can be dropped off anywhere along the curb as seen [Here](#). They do not need to be right at the door to exit the car as they are young and healthy and capable of making the walk!
- Please only drop off at the curb and not in the center lane. Drop off in the center lane forces students to cross traffic, an unsafe situation that is not worth the seconds you save.
- Please do not park in the drop off lane and wait until 8:00 to unload. If you would like to wait until 8:00, please find a parking space and then loop back through the line once doors open. This will allow others to drop off their Mavericks at the curb from 7:45-8:00.

Girls Who Code Club – The Girls Who Code group will NOT meet this Monday, November 18. Our next meeting will be on Monday, December 2nd. I have added some practice materials on my CTLS class board for the girls to work on in the meantime. Have a great Thanksgiving Holiday! Sincerely, Ms. Sledge

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

PTSA

Holiday Shop in the School Store – Beginning Friday, Dec. 6th, the PTSA Holiday Shop will be open in the Trading Post every morning 8:30-9:10 am. Students wishing to visit the store before 8:50 must check in at study hall and will be directed by staff when it's their turn to visit the store. The Trading Post is located in the music and media center hallway. The Holiday Shop includes great gifts for every person on a middle school student's shopping list and most items are \$1-\$7! Gift wrapping will be provided. Cash or checks accepted. All proceeds benefit the students and staff at McClure!

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PTSA (Cont.)

CEOTY & TOTY – Shout out to our Classified Employee of the Year, Ms. Angie Bruner, and our Teacher of the Year, Ms. Tina Penny, who were once again recognized this week at the [Tom Mathis Senior Council PTA Celebration Luncheon](#). Another great recognition for two amazing Mavericks!

Spirit Night – This Friday, 11/22 is a PTSA Spirit Night @ Sparkles.

Foundation

Annual Giving Campaign – The McClure Foundation invites you to join their annual giving campaign. The McClure Foundation supports innovation and technology at McClure and partners directly with the school administration to assure that McClure staff and students are teaching and learning in an environment like none other in Cobb. For information on projects completed by the McClure Foundation and information on how to partner with them, see their [Giving Campaign Letter](#), which will also be sent home with your Maverick this coming week!



Community Events

Allatoona Lacrosse – AHS Jr. Lacrosse is right around the corner. See their [Sign-Up Information](#) as well as information about an [Upcoming Lacrosse Clinic](#).

Upcoming Dates

- 11/20 – Student Thanksgiving Meal @ Lunch in the Cafeteria
- 11/22 – PTSA Spirit Night @ Sparkles
- 12/4 – Student Advisory Council Meeting @ 8:00 in the PDR
- 1/13/25 – 6th Grade Stars and Strikes
- 1/14/25 – 7th Grade Stars and Strikes
- 1/15/25 – 8th Grade Stars and Strikes