

The Maverick Minute

Parent Edition - 12/1/24

Principal's Note

McClure Families,

I hope that you all had a great Thanksgiving Break and that you got to rest, relax, and recharge. With the Thanksgiving Holiday coming so late in the calendar this year, there are only three short weeks left in the semester when we return to business as usual at McClure tomorrow. This means, there is only a small window for our Mavericks to assure everything for Quarter 2 gets wrapped up effectively. So, now is a good time to have a conversation about grades and what needs to be done to assure they are looking good come the end of the quarter. If you are seeing things in ParentVue that are not up to your expectations, this week is the time to communicate with teachers to determine what steps can be taken to make improvements. We all know how busy life becomes as the December holidays approach, so don't let your Maverick try to put off their work until the last minute! Thank you for having that conversation sooner than later so that everyone is happy with the results of the 2nd quarter when the Honor Roll lists are published in January!

Sincerely, Cory Stanley

Shout Out

PLC Model School Recognition – Shout out to Ms. Meredith Hill, Ms. Missy Burchette, and Ms. Heather Carlson for helping put together our application to become a PLCs at Work Model School! This recognition is an amazing feather in our cap as a school and is a true celebration of the work with do in our teams every day!



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(a)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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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 \$50 – Blue \$75 – Navy \$100 – Silver

Instructional

Beacon Assessments – This week, our students will be taking the second round of the Beacon Assessments. In order to make administration more efficient, we are blocking larger windows in which to administer the assessment. See the Schedule for the Week for the details.

Operational

December Calendar – To keep up with all things McClure December, see the McClure December Calendar.

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 <u>Here</u>. 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.

Stars & Strikes – Coming up in January, students who had earned enough PBIS points for demonstrating our DARE expectations at McClure will have the opportunity to attend a field trip to Starts & Strikes. We fund the majority of this trip with money from Color Battle, however, we ask a small fee to help offset the cost of transportation and to leave us funds in the bank to support the PBIS Store. This year's trip (dates below) will cost \$12, which is a great deal for laser tag, bowling, unlimited gaming, pizza, and soda. The trip is currently in My Payments Plus for purchase.

- January 13 6th Grade
- January 14 7th Grade
- January 15 8th Grade

Counselor's Note

8th Grade News – See the 8th Grade News Ms. Gordon this week for upcoming deadlines and dates regarding the high school transition.

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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!

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!

Community Events

Allatoona Baseball Benefit – Allatoona Baseball's Annual Silent Auction and Benefit Dinner is coming up on January 17, 2025. It is a ticketed event (\$15) that includes dinner from 1885 at Northstar Church, a speaker, Payton Eeles (Allatoona Alum in the Minors soon to be Majors), and the silent auction. It is a very nice community event that kicks off their season and helps the program fundraise at the same time. Information on how to get the tickets can be found in This Flyer.

Marietta Athletic Club Lacrosse – The Marietta Athletic Club would like to offer information to you about the opportunity to try lacrosse for free on 12/4/24. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details.

Upcoming Dates

- 12/4 Student Advisory Council @ 8:00 in the PDR
- 12/6 McClure Spelling Bee @ 9:30 in the Theater
- 1/13/25 6th Grade Stars and Strikes
- 1/14/25 7th Grade Stars and Strikes
- 1/15/25 8th Grade Stars and Strikes