



The Maverick Minute

Parent Edition – 12/17/23

Principal's Note

McClure Families,

As we enter the last two days of the semester, I want to say thank you for all you have contributed to our school and our community throughout the holiday season. Your generosity with Apex Games, our Thanksgiving Basket Drive, the student holiday party, and the Annual McClure Gift Card Drive positively impacted our students, our school, and our community significantly. Additionally, your support of our students academically and behaviorally is visible in our hallways and classrooms every day. Even during this incredibly hectic and crazy time of year, our students were excellent at McClure and remained focused on learning throughout the holiday season. Lastly, I want to thank you for your incredible support of our performing arts programs. Each of our chorus, orchestra, and band concerts were packed with supportive parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and friends. You truly are amazing partners and I thank you for all that you do to make McClure the **Best in the West!** I hope that you have an incredibly restful and joyous holiday season and look forward to our continued partnership in the new year!

Sincerely,
Cory Stanley

Instructional

McClure Tutoring – Our core content area teams in each grade level are here to support our students before and after school. See the [McClure Tutoring Schedule](#) for details. Thank you for the additional effort on your part to get students in early and pick them up late so that they can attend tutoring sessions.

Operational

Stars & Strikes Field Trips – The PBIS Field Trips to Stars & Strikes will be occurring quickly following the Holiday Break. Parents must give permission through [ParentVue](#). See [Web Browser Instructions](#) and the [Mobile Instructions \(Spanish\)](#) for details. The cost of the trip is \$10, which is an amazing deal (thanks to funds from Apex Games). Students will receive pizza, soda, laser tag, bowling, and unlimited gaming! Payment can be made through [MyPaymentsPlus](#).

6th Grade Parent Survey – Our Wellness Committee would like all 6th grade parents to complete a brief survey so that they can better meet the needs of our community. Please see their [Survey Request Letter](#) for details and complete the survey [Here](#).

Mission:

*One Team, One Goal,
Student Success*

Vision:

*A school of excellence
where all students
succeed*

McClure Motto:

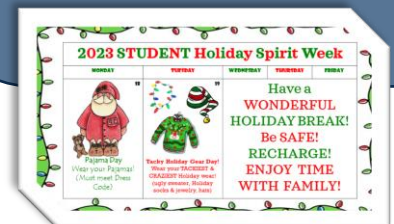
DARE to Be a Maverick!

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.*



It's [Holiday Spirit Week](#) this week!

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Operational

No Intramurals – There will be no intramurals on Monday 12/18 and Tuesday 12/19. Intramurals will resume in the new year.

Lost & Found – At the end of the semester, we make a charitable donation with all items from the [Lost & Found](#). We have moved these items into the school entryway so that you can come get what you have paid for before it is given to a good cause. If you are coming in for a concert this next week, please check it out!

Yearbook – Finish the year strong by ordering your yearbook! The yearbook staff is working hard to make this book bigger and better than last year, and we know you are going to love the results. Order now and avoid the price increase that is coming in January! You can reserve your book by using [This Link](#).

Holiday Spirit Week – This coming week at McClure is [Holiday Spirit Week](#)! Please encourage your Maverick to participate!

PTSA

Holiday Shopping – The Trading Post school store will be selling holiday gifts for students to purchase for their families. Gifts range from \$1-\$8 each and gift wrapping will be provided. This is a great opportunity for students to do their holiday shopping while supporting the PTSA! The store will have extended hours until holiday break. It will open at 8:15am (during study hall) and close at 9:10am Monday (12/18) and Tuesday (12/19). The store is located in the media and music hallway. Students are encouraged to visit the store before going to homeroom.



Texas Roadhouse Gift Cards – Thank you to everyone who participated in the Texas Roadhouse gift card fundraiser! Gift cards will be given to students in homeroom once they arrive. Congratulations to Jaiden Burden, an 8th grader, whose winning artwork is featured on the Texas Roadhouse gift cards. Check out this talent!! And congratulations to Benjamin Caylor, a 6th grader, who was the top gift card seller at McClure.



Shout Out – Shout to all who contributed to the annual McClure Student Holiday Party, which is this coming Tuesday. Thank you! Also, a very special shout out to the Jones family, who donated a sweet treat for every student at McClure!

Thank You – Big thanks to JR Electrical for generously sponsoring our PTSA & Hospitality December Staff Event. We wish our staff a time of joy, peace and rest!

Questions – Email mclureptsa@gmail.com

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Foundation

Annual Engagement Drive – The McClure Foundation would like to encourage all our Maverick families to participate in the Annual Engagement Drive! The Foundation provides funding for projects at McClure that go beyond what the district can offer, such as our updated S.T.E.M. Labs and new digital bulletin boards. Help us raise \$10,000 to purchase additional AV equipment. Families can support our incredible school by giving a \$25 or more with 3 ways to give:

- Buy a personalized lobby horseshoe
- Schedule a birthday message on the marquee
- Make a monetary donation

Check out [This Flyer](#) for more information and to donate online today!



Community Events

Percy Jackson Event – On December 20, the West Cobb Library will be hosting a Percy Jackson Launch Party. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

KMHS Cadet Guard – The Kennesaw Mountain Band in forming a Cadet Guard. See [This Flyer](#) for details!

After School Program – Did you know that Kennesaw Parks & Recreation transports students every day directly from McClure to the Ben Robertson Community Center for their after-school program? This is a great service that includes tutoring support for academics as well as recreation for students. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

Upcoming Dates

- 12/18 – No Morning Intramurals
- 12/18 – Reflections Celebration Breakfast @ 8:30 in the PDR
- 12/18 – Student Holiday Spirit Day (Pajama Day)
- 12/18 – Early Release at 1:30
- 12/19 – No Morning Intramurals
- 12/19 – Early Release at 1:30
- 12/19 – Student Holiday Spirit Day (Tacky Holiday Wear Day)
- 12/19 – Last Day of the First Semester
- 12/20-1/3 – Holiday Break
- 1/3 – Teacher Work Day
- 1/4 – First Day of the Spring Semester
- 1/9 – 6th Grade Stars & Strikes
- 1/10 – PTSA Executive Cabinet @ 9:30 in the PDR
- 1/10 – PTSA General Meeting @ 10:00 in the PDR
- 1/10 – 7th Grade Stars & Strikes
- 1/11 – Mock Milestones Assessment
- 1/12 – 8th Grade Stars & Strikes