

The Maverick Minute

Parent Edition – 2/23/25

Principal's Note

McClure Families,

I hope that everyone had a great February Break and that students are rested and recharged to return to McClure tomorrow. We are entering undoubtably the most important instructional stretch of the school year. Our students already know their teachers, they know the routines and procedures of each of their classrooms, they know the DARE expectations forwards and backwards, and they have built instructional stamina throughout the course of the school year to this point. Now is our chance to really push the envelope with what they know and what they can do. At the end of April and the beginning of May students will be taking the Milestones Assessments. These assessments will give a summary snapshot of how much our students learned throughout the state. The work we do in our classes between now and then will assure our students are ready to perform at their absolute best. Thank you for your partnership delivering *Intentional Excellence* between now and then so that, when scores are published, we can assure that we retain our reputation as *Best in the West*!

Sincerely, Cory Stanley

Shout Outs

American Heart Challenge – Shout out to all who participated in the CCSD American Heart Challenge. McClure was able to raise over \$3000 for the American Heart Association. Who can't get behind that?! Thank you to all who contributed and to Coach Hausdorf and Coach Smith for coordinating McClure's events!

Students of the Month – Shout out to our February Students of the Month! We will be announcing these Mavericks on tomorrow's morning broadcast and will be celebrating them this Thursday (2/27) @ 8:00 in the LLC. Parents, please join us!

Eliza Williams Kyler Muffley Sadie-Kate Williams Hunter Ellenson Tommy Foster Journey Abboud Kassidy Smith Elijah Van Nouhuys Kaelyn Walcott Felix Sandoval-Garcia Zhihao Chen Karla Angulo Reyes

Instructional

McClure Tutoring – We are currently offering before and after school support sessions for students in each of the four core content areas. 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!

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 <u>encouraging</u> <u>excellence</u>, <u>enthusiasm</u>, and <u>ingenuity</u>.



DARE to Be a Maverick!

Clinic Corner

Heart Health – Welcome to the nurse's corner. This month we are celebrating American Heart Month. Learn <u>10 Ways to Keep your</u> <u>Child's Heart Healthy</u> (Spanish). Please visit <u>American Heart Association</u> website for countless information on how to keep your heart healthy!

Operational

- Bonus DARE Day This Friday, 2/28, we will be hosting a Bonus DARE Day for any student who has three or fewer missing assignments in the gradebook so far this quarter. The Bonus DARE Day will not cost students any PBIS points and will be an opportunity for them to hang out with their peers and enjoy some down time. Now is a good time to check ParentVue for missing assignments so that your Maverick can participate!
- **Game Haven** McClure is starting a new Game Club! Starting on Thursday the 27th of February at 8:00 am, they will be meeting every other Thursday morning. See the details below:
 - Club Name & Description GAME HAVEN (Rubik's Cube/Board Game/Card Game Club)
 - Club Purpose The purpose of this club is to advance skills in solving the Rubrik's Cube. We will be having timed competitions. We will also be learning card games, such as rummy, gin rummy, hearts, and spades. Other activities include learning new board games.
 - Club Sponsor Ms. Overcast will be sponsoring this club.
 - Meeting Agenda We will be breaking up into different groups to play the games that you wish.
- **Olympic T-Shirt Design Contest** Olympic T-shirt design contest is here! Any student interested in creating a design for this year's Olympic shirt should print <u>This Information Sheet</u> or pick one up from <u>Ms. Heyser</u> or <u>Coach Smith</u>. All entries MUST be turned in to <u>Ms. Heyser</u> or <u>Coach Smith</u> no later than Wednesday, February 26th.
- 6th Grade Parents All rising 7th grade students are required to have one dose of the Tdap and meningococcal vaccines to attend school. Once your child has received the required vaccines, please send a copy of the completed Georgia Department of Public Health Certificate of Immunization Form 3231 to McClure. It can be emailed <u>Here</u> or dropped off at the front office. Per Georgia law, a completed immunization record must be on file for your child by the first day of the 2025-2026 school year.

PTSA

Parent Prep 101 – Parent Prep 101 is a webinar designed for 7th-11th Grade parents and a WIN/WIN for you and McClure. The ideal time to start the college prep process is in middle school before your student takes a high school level class. You will receive helpful information on what to expect over the next several years, a timeline to follow, and what your student can be doing now to prepare for that college application. You will learn about GaFutures, Grants, HOPE scholarships, Naviance, how to help your athlete get recruited, and when to take the ACT and SAT. You will feel more prepared and able to help your student find a college that is the right fit for them. The webinar price is \$65 and \$10 goes back to McClure's PTSA. The price includes a private Facebook group for additional information and ongoing support. Once the registration form and payment is received, a zoom ID link for your session will be sent to you. If you have any questions please text Trisha Caputo at 678-777-7141 or email at <u>parentprep101@gmail.com</u>. *No refunds will be given once payment is received.



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Community Events

- Harrison Lacrosse Fundraiser Please help support Harrison High School's annual Lacrosse fundraising event. On Saturday, March 1st, the Harrison High School Lacrosse Booster Club will be hosting a <u>Hoya Western Showcase</u> at the Conservatory at Waterstone. There will be live music, a silent auction, and more! Tickets are available via the QR code on <u>This Flyer</u>. We hope to see you there!
- Harrison JR. Hoya Football Registration is opening soon for Jr. Hoyas Football. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details. Also, check out the <u>Summer Camp Flyer</u> for their July event.
- Summer Engineering Camps Aerospace Engineering Summer Camps are offered by the Southern Polytechnic College of Engineering and Engineering Technology at Kennesaw State University. These camps are designed for middle and high school students. The mission of the camps is to provide practical hands-on knowledge to future engineers. They provide a platform for students to explore and understand the basics of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM), with emphasis on Aerospace Engineering and Technology. During the camps, students get to experience and learn theory through exciting real-world applications. The camp includes design, build, and fly competitions, Computer Aided Design (CAD), flight simulations, rocket build and launch competitions, drone design, flight demonstrations and lots more. Come and experience the excitement. We believe in teaching and learning while having fun. Registration and more information is available Here.
- Summer Camp Expo Kennesaw Parks & Recreation will be holding its summer camp expo on Sunday, March 2 from 10:00am-2:00pm at Adams Park. This is a great opportunity to start planning to keep your Maverick busy during the summer. See the Kennesaw Parks & Recreation Website for information on all that they do for our community.
- YMCA Clubs The Northwest Family YMCA has several clubs for middle school students beginning soon. See the flyers below for details:
 - <u>Middle School Madness</u>
 - Middle School Sports
 - Junior Leaders
 - Junior Entrepreneurs

Harrison Volleyball Youth Clinics – Harrison Volleyball is SUPER excited about hosting their first ever kid clinics on Wednesdays in

- March. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details.
- When: Wednesdays in March
 Who: Upcoming 3rd-8th graders
- Who: Opcoming 3**-8** grad
- Where: Hoya Center
- Why: To Learn, Develop, Play

Upcoming Dates

- 2/1-28 Black History Month
- 2/1-28 American Heart Month
- 2/26 Student Advisory Council @ 8:00 in the PDR
- 2/27 Student of the Month Celebration @ 8:00 in the LLC
- 2/28 Read Across America Day
- 2/28 Bonus DARE Day
- 2/28 PTSA Spirit Night @ Sparkles