

The Maverick Minute

Parent Edition - 3/16/25

Principal's Note

McClure Families,

Tomorrow, we begin the fourth quarter of the school year. During the fourth quarter, many important events occur that can impact your student's class placements next year. At the end of the year, we look at many data points to help us schedule students in classes that meet their individual needs. Among the data points we analyze are class grades, class summative test averages, Milestones scores, and Math and ELA Beacon scores. All these metrics are finalized in quarter four of the school year. So, while some students might think, "I've done well for three quarters, so I can coast through quarter four," now is the time to push them to be their absolute best. Thank you for helping your Maverick start quarter four on the right foot so that their class placement next year is what they (and you) want it to be. The E in DARE stands for Excellent. Quarter four is when we will see just how Excellent our students are!

Sincerely, Cory Stanley

Shout Outs

STEM-a-palooza – Shout out to the PTSA and their partnership with the McClure STEM Team putting on an amazing STEM-a-palooza last Thursday. Special thanks to Ms. Stefanie Myer, our science Subject Area Coordinator, and Ms. Laurel Holder, our STEM lead teacher for their amazing work behind the scenes. Lastly, shout out to Ms. April Schimmel and Ms. Julie Crosby, our PTSA team members who took over as the STEM-a-palooza committee leads this year. Amazing job to all!





















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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.)

CEOTY & TOTY – Congratulations to our Classified Employee of the Year, Ms. Dana Nooney, and our Teacher of the Year, Ms. Stefanie Myer!



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!

Operational

NJHS Application – McClure Middle School hosts a chapter of the National Junior Honor Society. Current McClure 6th and 7th grade students may apply for acceptance into next year's chapter. See <u>This Flyer</u> for application details. The application window opens this Friday, March 21 and can be completed <u>Here</u> beginning on that date.

CCSD Job Fair – The annual CCSD Job Fair is coming up Saturday, 3/23 at Truist Park from 9:00-noon. Click Here for details.

Rising 6th Grade Parent Night – It is hard to believe but it is almost time for our future 6th grade students and future 6th grade parents to come visit us in preparation for next year! On Tuesday, April 1, our rising 6th grade students from Bullard, Due West, Frey, and Lewis will be visiting us during the school day for their first taste of life at McClure. Two days later, on Thursday, April 3, we will host our annual Rising 6th Grade Parent Night at 6:30 in the McClure Theater.

Senior Walk – Each year, McClure joins our elementary neighbors and invites our former Mavericks back to campus for a senior walk. The McClure Senior Walk will be Friday, May 17th at 10:00am. Graduating seniors should report to the front office in their cap and gown to check in. Thank you for sharing This Invitation in our community!

Lunch Accounts – It has been a few weeks since February Break. Have you looked at your Maverick's lunch account? It may be time to do so! Be sure your student has funds for breakfast and lunch by visiting My Payments Plus.

Drop Offs – Thank you for remembering that dropping off items for students at McClure should be for emergencies only. Middle school is a great time for students to learn the natural repercussions of leaving something at home and having to go without it for a day!

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Operational (Cont.)

Behavior Rewards – Each week in March we offer an additional behavior incentive to make sure students are adhering tightly to our DARE expectations. Each week (Thursday-Friday), any grade level with 5 or fewer office disciplinary referrals will earn a hat day & PJ day the next Friday. Each week we will be adding an additional secret reward as Spring Break approaches (This week's surprise was a karaoke sing-a-long during Friday's lunch!). We will also be giving a block of PBIS Rewards points to every student who does not have any discipline each week, even if their grade level does not earn that week's incentive.

Yearbook Sales – There are less than 200 yearbooks left and no more will be printed. The time to guarantee that your student has the 2025 yearbook is now. Order your yearbook Here. If there are any unsold books on yearbook day in May, they will be sold for \$50. Ordering now is a great way to save.

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 Here 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

Executive Board – Interested in being on the McClure PTSA executive board? We are now accepting nominations for the 2025-26 school year. Please send your name and contact info to our nominating committee chair, <u>Danielle Rasmussen</u>, by March 31, 2025.

Susan Wing Scholarship — Named after Ms. Susan Wing, the first principal of McClure Middle School, the McClure PTSA Susan Wing Scholarship honors a graduating senior who best exemplifies the character traits held dear by Mrs. Wing: Excellence, Enthusiasm, Encouragement, and Ingenuity. The winner receives a one-time \$1,000 award. The applying senior must have attended McClure Middle School for at least one year. Applications are due via email to Jessica Scirica before midnight on Sunday, March 31, 2024. For more information see This Website.

Spirit Night - Friday, 3/28, will be a PTSA Spirit Night @ Sparkles (5:00-9:00).

Foundation

Birthday Wishes in Our Halls – Send a happy birthday message to your Maverick! Birthday messages are just \$25 and they're a great way to make your student or favorite faculty member feel special. Over the February Break, we have added 6 large screens to the hallways of McClure! Your Maverick's birthday can be displayed on these screens for all to see with a purchase from the Foundation. Birthdays are displayed on the entryway marquee as well! Pro tip: If your Maverick's birthday is during the summer, schedule a message in December! Purchase your message at the Foundation Store.



Community Events

KMHS Cheer – KMHS Junior Mustangs Cheer tryouts open to rising 6-8 graders April 1-3 (7pm – 8:30pm). KMHS Small Gym. Scan the QR code on <u>This Flyer</u> or <u>Click here</u> to complete your application online today! Go Mustangs!

2025 Hoya Hoops Camp – Registration is now open for This year's Hoya Hoops Camp, which will occur June 16-19. See the <u>Hoops Camp Website</u> for details and early registration discounts!

Allatoona Jr. Bucs Cheerleading – There is an upcoming meeting for Allatoona Jr. Bucs Cheerleading. See This Flyer for details.

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Community Events (Cont.)

KMHS PTSA – Kennesaw Mountain High School is looking for individuals to take on leadership positions in their organization for next school year. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details.

KMHS Summer Basketball – Kennesaw Mountain High School has some summer basketball opportunities for your Maverick. See <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/jhs.1007/jh

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.

Upcoming Dates

- 3/17 Legally Blonde Cast Party (4:30-6:30)
- 3/20 Evening of the Stars @ 6:30 (Invite Only)
- 3/28 PTSA Spirit Night @ Sparkles
- 3/31 Susan Wing Scholarship Application Deadline
- 4/3 Rising 6th Grade Parent Night @ 6:30