

The Maverick Minute

Parent Edition - 3/23/25

Principal's Note

McClure Families,

Quarter 4 of the school year is officially under way! Now is a great time to have a goal setting conversation with your Maverick about the remainder of the year and even looking ahead to next year. The following questions are a great place to start:

- When it comes to behavior, what went well in quarter 3?
- When it comes to behavior, what did not go well in quarter 3?
- When it comes to behavior, what is your plan to be your best in quarter 4?
- When it comes to academics, what went well in quarter 3?
- When it comes to academics, what did not go well in quarter 3?
- When it comes to academics, what is your plan to be your best in quarter 4?
- Looking ahead to next year, what are the goals you have in mind?
- How can I help you meet your goals?

Part of our *Intentional Excellence* as a team here at McClure is that we are always looking forward while reflecting on the past. What have we done that has been effective and how can we use this information to assure we do even better in the future? This growth mindset is what drives us to grow as a professionals and continually look for ways to best meet the needs of our students. Thank you for your partnership in this critical endeavor!

Sincerely, Cory Stanley

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

8th Grade Battleship – 6th Grade parents had their chance. Then, 7th Grade parents got their shot. 8th Grade parents, now it's *your* turn for Student-Parent Battleship, a fun, four-way volleyball game. This event is coming up on Thursday, April 3 at 8:00 in the Wooden Gym. See This Invitation Letter from our Wellness Team for details. Hope to see you there!

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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Operational (Cont.)

- 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 opened this Friday, March 21 and can be completed <u>Here</u>.
- 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!
- 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. We will be adding an additional weekly secret reward as Spring Break approaches. 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.
- **Thank You** Shout Out to all who provided their time, baking talents, and monetary donations to make Pi Day a success! The teacher's loved the delicious selection of their favorite pies for their monthly staff treat and duty-free lunch. We are grateful to everyone who contributed.

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PTSA (Cont.)

McClure Olympics – McClure Olympics is returning the week of May 12th-16th. For those new to McClure, this is a week-long event organized and run by our fabulous PE department and assisted by the PTSA. Each homeroom has been assigned a country to represent. Homerooms compete in an Academic Bowl, Field Day, and enjoy a movie/snack day. Opening and Closing Ceremonies are also held. The full schedule will be out soon so stay tuned!

PTSA will be selling shirts in the lobby before school 8:15-8:50 on Thursday, 3/27 and Friday, 3/28. Shirts are \$10 for students and staff. (Shirts were not included in any student or staff bundle this year.) Cash or check in person, or <u>Click Here</u> for online sales, which are open now!

All students are highly encouraged to wear their shirt during Olympics week as colors are assigned to each homeroom. All proceeds benefit our PE Department!

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

Foundation

Foundation Members Needed – Volunteers Needed! Are you interested in getting more involved in the McClure Foundation? We are looking for volunteers to start filling the committees for next year and we need YOU! Email mmsf.president@gmail.com if you are interested or fill out This Form.

*Specific needs (not limited to):

- Sponsorship Chair
- Fundraising Committee
- Marketing & Communication Chair

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

Kennesaw Parks & Rec Summer – As you can see in <u>This Flyer</u>, the Kennesaw Parks & Recreation Department has a ton of opportunities for teens over the summer. See <u>Their Website</u> for details. Also, do you have a teenager looking for summer work? See <u>This Flyer</u> for opportunities with Kennesaw Parks & Recreation this summer.

Allatoona Dance Team – Tryouts are upcoming for the Allatoona Dance Team. See This Flyer for details.

KMHS Tennis Camp – The Kennesaw Mtn. HS Tennis Booster Club and we is hosting a tennis camp for kids 5-17. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details.

Jr. Bucs Football - Registration is now open for Allatoona Jr. Bucs (6-8 grade) Football. See This Flyer or Their Website for details.

The Arts Intensive – <u>Click Here</u> for information on summer musical sign ups or <u>Click Here</u> to purchase tickets for *Annie the Musical* and The Arts Intensive.

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Community Events (Cont.)

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 This Flyer or Click here 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.

KMHS Summer Basketball – Kennesaw Mountain High School has some summer basketball opportunities for your Maverick. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details.

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

- 3/24 7-1 Band LGPE @ 1:40PM (S. Cobb HS)
- 3/25 7-2 Band LGPE @ 11:40AM (S. Cobb HS)
- 3/26 8-1 Band @ 8:45AM (MFA Conference @ Rialto Center for the Arts at GSU)
- 3/27 Student of the Month @ 8:00 in the LLC
- 3/27 8-2 Band LGPE @ 2:55 (S. Cobb HS)
- 3/27 & 3/28 Olympic Shirt sales in the atrium before school (\$10 cash or check)
- 3/28 Quarter 3 Honor Roll
 - 10:00 8th Grade
 - 1:00 7th Grade
 - o 3:00 6th Grade
- 3/28 PTSA Spirit Night @ Sparkles
- 3/31 Susan Wing Scholarship Application Deadline
- 4/3 8th Grade Student-Parent Battleship in the Wooden Gym @ 8:00 (Admission is canned goods or individually packaged snacks)
- 4/3 Rising 6th Grade Parent Night @ 6:30