

The Maverick Minute

Parent Edition – 4/21/24

Principal's Note

McClure Families,

I hope that everyone had a great weekend and that students are recharged for the beginning of testing season. That's right, coming up this week, we begin Milestones testing in our 8th grade. See the <u>Milestones Schedule</u> and <u>Milestones Details</u> to prepare and keep up with what each day will look like during testing. During the next few weeks, students in all grade levels will have the opportunity to show off all that they have learned throughout this school year. At McClure, we talk often about our DARE expectations. During Milestones testing, the D in DARE becomes very important. Operationally, the schedule for the school day is often different for students because of testing occurring somewhere in the building. So, students must remain determined to be their best even though their routines may have been altered. Instructionally, often times grit, perseverance, and tenacity are the difference between a good performance and a great one. Therefore, when testing, students must remain determined to give a full effort, to go back and double check their answers, and not settle for less than their best. We will be relaying this message to our student each day of Milestones and we hope you will do the same at home! Have a great remainder of your Sunday!

> Sincerely, Cory Stanley

Shout Outs

- Super Saturday Shout out to all the students who came out to Milestones Super Saturday on 4/20! Also, thank you to the McClure Team members who gave up part of their Saturday to support students. Once again, we reviewed, we learned, we made sure we were ready for Milestones, and we...had fun? Yes!
- Our Town Bravo to our theater class for their Friday night production of *Our Town*! The show was student driven from the start, and our Mavericks did an amazing job. (It was the students at McClure who came to the staff asking if they could put on a second show this year, not the adults driving things!) Also, shout out to Ms. Burchette, Ms. Crowe, and Mr. Gandolfo, and Ms. Heyser for their continued support of the theater arts and partnership with our students in putting together another great McClure production!

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



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Shout Outs (Cont.)

Front Office Team – This Wednesday is National Administrative Professionals Day, and we will be celebrating Ms. Kim Edwards, Ms. Constance Bargeron, Ms. Robyn Saffer, Ms. Dana Nooney, and Ms. Jema Cowan on that day (don't forget our amazing nurse, Ms. Angela Dubiel). You know that when you walk in the door at McClure, it feels welcoming and kind, and you *know* that our team is going to take care of you with a smile all day, every day. We appreciate all that they do, and how welcomed and supported people feel when visiting our building because of the joy our team brings to McClure daily. They are an amazing group and a huge part of why we are *Best in the West!* Help us celebrate them this week!



Instructional

High School Course Options – Rising 8th grade students have the awesome opportunity to earn high school credits in their last year of middle school. <u>Our McClure High School Course Offerings 24-25 Flyer</u> gives parents and students an overview of the possible courses we offer as well as the criteria in which students can qualify to enter those courses. If your child is interested in participating, please complete the <u>HS Request Form</u>. Additional applications for <u>Visual Arts</u> and <u>Leadership & Law</u> must be completed to qualify for those classes. If you have any questions about this process, please feel free to email Assistant Principal <u>Carrie Porter</u>.

Operational

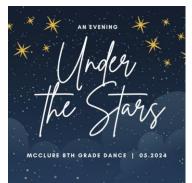
- 8th Grade Calendar The end of the year is busy for all students at McClure, but especially for our 8th graders. Thank you to our 8th grade team for putting together an End-of-the-Year 8th Grade Calendar for our students and parents.
- Senior Walk Each year, McClure joins our elementary neighbors and 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 <u>This Invitation</u> in our community!
- Student Laptop Chargers Milestones Testing is starting soon. It is important that your student's charged laptop is at school every day. If your student has lost their charger a replacement must be purchased. There are a variety of sources to purchase from, including <u>Amazon</u>. This charger will work with both current models of student laptops (many 6th graders have laptops that can also be charged with a USB C charger). If you order from another source, look for a charger compatible with a dell latitude 3190 laptop of 65W with round power connectors. The connector must be 7.4mm across (many other adapters are 4.5mm size and will not work with your student's laptop).
- Intramurals Ending 2023-2024 McClure Intramurals ends on Thursday, April 25th. Thank you for supporting our students in their development. We appreciate our parents' support and are very thankful.
- Milestones Schedules See this year's Milestones EOG Schedule to mark your calendars now so that your Maverick is at school on time on their testing days.
- 7th Grade Vaccinations 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 to McclureMSSupport@cobbk12.org 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 2024-2025 school year.

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PTSA

8th Grade Dance – On Friday May 17th from 6:30pm-8:30pm PTSA is excited to host the annual 8th grade dance. This is a night for 8th grade students to celebrate their hard work, dress up and have a great time! Dinner, soft drinks, and an ice cream bar will be served and included in the ticket price. 8th grade dance tickets were included in the PTSA bundle at the beginning of the year. If you are unsure if you bought the bundle, please email <u>Bekka</u> <u>Fedusiv</u>.

Tickets will be sold May 13-15 from 8:45-9:15am in the lobby before school. Tickets cost \$20 and can be purchased with cash/check (made out to McClure PTSA) or through the online store - <u>Click here</u>. Parents - Please consider donating decor and/or snacks for the 8th grade dance! To donate, <u>Click Here</u>.





Culver's Spirit Night – There is a PTSA Spirit Night at Culver's of Kennesaw (Due West rd.) this Thursday, April 25th! Culver's gives a portion of ALL sales to the McClure PTSA. So, tell your neighbors, tell your friends, and go to Culver's for dinner this Thursday!

PTSA Needs You! – Your McClure PTSA needs your help! We have a number of positions opening up for the 2024/2025 school year. Please fill out <u>This Form</u> to submit your interest(s). We look forward to hearing from you!



PTSA Questions – Email mcclureptsa@gmail.com

Foundation

- 8th Grade Shout Outs Looking for a special way to celebrate your 8th grader's time at McClure? The McClure Foundation has you covered! Surprise your amazing student with a personalized 8th Grade Shout Out on the marquee. Make a \$25 donation, and your student's name will be displayed on the school marquee for a full day of your choice. Shout outs will also be displayed on the screens throughout our building. Sales are open now through May 16th. You can buy an 8th Grade Shout Out on the Foundation's Website.
- **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

- Allatoona XC Allatoona High School Cross County is hosting an information meeting and summer training. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details.
- Allatoona Lacrosse Allatoona High School Cross County is hosting summer camps for boys and girls. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details and also the additional information about the <u>Girls Camp Theme Days</u>.

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Community Events (Cont.)

- Allatoona Volleyball Allatoona High School is hosting a summer camp and also having upcoming tryouts. Get information for the summer camp <u>Here</u> and details about tryouts <u>Here</u>.
- **Hoya Volleyball Summer Camp** Harrison Volleyball is EXCITED to announce their Summer Middle School Volleyball Camp. Registration is open for all upcoming 6th, 7th, and 8th graders. Click <u>Here</u> for details.

Hoya Baseball Camp – Harrison is hosting a summer baseball camp. See This Flyer for details.

Allatoona Football – Registration for Allatoona MS football is now open. See This Flyer for details.

KMHS XC Camp – Kennesaw Mountain High School is hosting a summer cross county camp. The dates and times of the camp are June 11-13, 2024 from 5:30 – 7:30 at the Kennesaw Mountain HS Track. The cost for the camp is \$50.00. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details.

NCHS XC Camp – North Cobb High School is hosting a cross country summer camp. See This Flyer for details.

Lady Hoya Basketball – Harrison is hosting a basketball skills camp in June. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details and a link to register.

KMHS Youth Basketball Camp – Kennesaw Mountain High School is hosting a summer basketball camp. Camp dates are June 10th-13th from 9:00am-1:00pm. See <u>This Flyer</u> for Details and register <u>Here</u>.

The Arts Intensive Summer Camp – See This Flyer for information on Matilda the Musical, Jr. and the Artis Intensive Summer Camp.

Strand Theater Summer Events – See <u>This Flyer</u> for information on workshops and summer camp opportunities upcoming at the Strad Theater. Also, see <u>This Flyer</u> for information about becoming a part of their summer production of Shrek The Musical, Jr.

Upcoming Dates

- 4/23 Mandatory Disney Parent Meeting @ 6:30 in the McClure Theater
- 4/24 National Administrative Professional Day
- 4/25 Last day for McClure Intramurals
- 4/25 PTSA Spirit Night @ Culver's of Kennesaw (Due West Rd.)
- 5/17 McClure <u>Senior Walk</u> @ 10:00
- Testing Dates:
 - 4/23 Testing 8th Grade ELA, Section 1
 - 4/24 Testing 8th Grade ELA, Sections 2 & 3
 - 4/25 Testing 8th Grade Math, Sections 1 & 2
 - 4/26 Testing 8th Grade SC & HS Physical Science, Sections 1 & 2
 - 4/29 Testing 8th Grade SS, Sections 1 & 2
 - 5/01 Testing Algebra I EOC, Section 1
 - 5/02 Testing Algebra I EOC, Section 2
 5/02 Testing Algebra I EOC, Section 2
 - 5/03 Testing 7th Grade Math, Sections 1 & 2
 - 5/06 Testing 7th Grade ELA, Section 1
 5/07 Testing 7th Grade ELA, Section 2
 - 5/07 Testing 7th Grade, ELA, Sections 2 & 3
 5/08 Testing 6th Grade ELA, Section 1
 - 5/09 Testing 6th Grade ELA, Section 1
 5/09 Testing 6th Grade ELA, Sections 2 & 3
 - 5/10 Testing 6th Grade Math, Sections 1 & 2