

The Maverick Minute

Parent Edition - 4/27/25

Principal's Note

McClure Families,

I hope everyone had a great weekend. This week at McClure we continue Milestones testing for our 6th and 8th grade students. See the Milestones Schedule and the Milestones Details to keep up with what each day will look like during testing. This past week, our 8th graders did a great job coming in ready to test, with their laptop charged, and their laptop power supply. Additionally, they worked really hard and stayed determined (the D in DARE) throughout the entirety of testing. I was so impressed with their perseverance and stamina to stay focused all the way through the end of the fifth testing day on Friday. Our 6th and 7th grade students only have three days of testing, but the days can still feel long in themselves. So, I will be encouraging our 6th graders this week to come in rested, prepared, and to remain tenacious in their pursuit of giving their absolute best performance on the Milestones. Thank you for encouraging your 6th graders this week and your 7th graders next week to be determined to be their best!

Sincerely, Cory Stanley

Special Event

Sounds of McClure – The McClure
Foundation is delighted to
announce its support for the
upcoming Sounds of McClure
outdoor concert by the
McClure Band, featuring our
Maverick musicians on
Thursday, May 1, 2025 @
6:00 pm! Although general



admission to the concert is free, you can make the night even more special by reserving a private table for your group, pre-ordering dinner, and pre-purchasing concession tickets. Reserve your table and concessions Here. If you have any questions, please email our Fundraising Chair at mmsf.fundraisingchair@gmail.com. Sales close at midnight on Monday, April 28.

Shout Out

Lunch Hero Day – This Friday, 5/2, is National Lunch Hero Day. We will be celebrating Ms. Lisa Lovern and her amazing team throughout the week. Help us send some extra love this week as well!

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.



Instructional

Milestones Assessments – The Georgia Milestones Assessments will begin on April 22, 2025. <u>Click Here</u> for resources for students and parents, <u>Click Here</u> for details about the assessments, and <u>Click Here</u> for the EOG Calendar. Testing dates are also listed in the Upcoming Dates at the end of this newsletter.

Operational

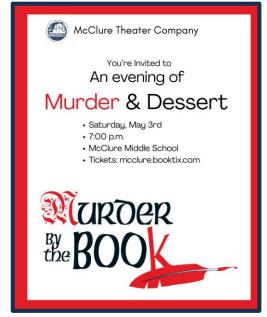
Olympic Movies – A big part of the McClure Olympics is a Field Day for each grade level. Students compete in a variety of events and earn points for their McClure Olympic country. On a second day in Olympic Week, students participate in a grade level Academic Bowl against other Olympic nations. For each grade level, there is a day where they are not at Field Day and not participating in the Academic Bowl. This leaves our students with their grade level teachers all day, without a break. In order to give everyone some down time, students view an Olympic-themed movie on that day. This year, the following movies will be shown. If you do not want your Maverick to participate in the movie viewing, please contact your grade level administrator.

- 6th Grade McFarland
- 7th Grade Cool Runnings
- 8th Grade Miracle

Library Books – The last day to turn in library books to the McClure LLC is Friday, May 9th. Now is a good time to have your Maverick dig in that backpack to see if they have something to return!

Murder by the Book—Our spring show is a few weeks away. Enjoy an evening of murder and dessert on Saturday, May 3rd, at 7:00pm. Nine people, disguised as their favorite author to protect their anonymity, meet annually to choose the best mystery book of the year. This year's meeting is very different; someone is killing the members of the Raven Society one at a time in this hilarious spoof of Agatha Christie's And Then There Were None. Will they find the killer before they are all sent "out of print?" Enjoy a light dessert during intermission as you decide who the killer is. Tickets can only be purchased Online; no tickets will be sold at the door (our bakers need to know how many desserts to create!).

Yearbook Sales are Ending – The yearbook order center shuts down on April 30th as we prepare for yearbook day in May. If you haven't reserved your yearbook, there is still time. There are about 100 books left, and once those are sold there will not be any additional books available. Unsold books on yearbook day in May will be sold for \$50 (so order now and save). Yearbooks can be purchased Online, but only until April 30th. Reserve your copy before they are sold out!



Yearbook Staff Application – Sixth and seventh grade students interested in becoming part of next year's yearbook staff should fill out <u>This Application</u>. The class is a yearlong class that meets during MavBlock (3rd period). No previous experience is necessary. You will learn the basics of photography, copywriting, design, and marketing during the class.

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 16th 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!

Operational (Cont.)

High School Feeder Events – McClure Middle School is the only middle school in Cobb County that feeds into three high schools. We want to make sure that you attend all the kickoff events for whatever school(s) your family attends prior to the start of next school year. The following flyers should help you mark your calendars early!

<u>Allatoona Feeder Events</u> <u>Harrison Feeder Events</u> <u>KMHS Feeder Events</u>

Laptop Power – As a parent of a middle schooler, you know that they are notorious for leaving items behind. For some of our students, this has happened with their laptop power supply. With Milestones right around the corner, it is critical that every student has not only their laptop but also a working power supply with them every day at school. If your Maverick has lost theirs, here are some replacement options:

- 8th Grade: Dell Laptop Charger 65W watt AC Power Adapter(Power Supply) 19.5V 3.34A
- 7th Grade: <u>Dell Laptop Charger 65W Watt USB Type C</u>
- 6th Grade: Lenovo USB Type C Charger

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

McClure Carnival – The McClure PTSA is manning the McClure Carnival this year. The Carnival is the last day of school, May 21 and we need volunteers to help at the Carnival. If you can't make it, we also need cookies and cupcakes for the kids. Please make sure all cookies and cupcakes are individually wrapped and dropped off to the school by Tuesday, May 20. You can drop them off on the cart outside the Front Office. Please see the Sign-up Genius to select a volunteer time slot. Thank you for donating your time to make this event super fun for our kids!

McClure Olympics – Sign up to bring snacks or volunteer! The 2025 McClure Olympics will take place May 12-16. Each grade will participate in an Academic Bowl, Field Day, and Movie Day, and of course opening and closing ceremonies as well. For Movie Day, the PTSA provides a *free snack and drink for each student through donation*. (This is separate from the drinks/snacks purchased by the PTSA and sold to students on Field Day, with all proceeds benefiting the PE department.) Parents, please sign up Here to provide snacks for Movie Day or to volunteer!

8th Grade Dance – 8th grade dance tickets are on sale and can be purchased <u>Here</u>. Tickets are \$20. Please include student's name and homeroom. A separate link is included on the site for donations if you would like to purchase for another student or contribute in any way.

Teacher Appreciation Week – The McClure PTSA needs your help during Teacher Appreciation Week (May 5-9). We've got a Nacho Bar, Make Your Own Trail Mix, and an Ice Cream Shop for our teachers, and we need toppings for ice cream and all the yummy ingredients for the perfect trail mix. Please <u>Click</u> Here to sign up below and choose your donations. Thank you!

Duty Free Lunch Volunteers Needed – Please Click Here to volunteer!

2025-25 Volunteers – Want to get more involved at McClure next year? Sign up Here to volunteer!



Foundation

8th Grade Signs – Now is your chance to partner with the McClure Foundation to recognize your 8th grade Maverick's journey through middle school and celebrate their moving on to high school! In partnership with a local business, the McClure Foundation is selling yard signs for your HIGH SCHOOL BOUND student. Signs are \$20 and the deadline to order is May 5th. Don't miss this opportunity to celebrate your Maverick's time as part of The Best in the West! Order Here!



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 <u>Foundation Store</u>.



Community Events

Harrison Girls Flag Football – Harrison Girls Flag Football has tryouts coming up in May. See This Flyer for details.

Harrison Soccer Camps – See This Flyer for information on soccer camps at Harrison this summer.

- Jr. Hoya Volleyball Harrison Volleyball announces tryouts for the Junior Hoya program, open to all female students entering grades 5-8. Tryouts are scheduled for May 7th and 8th. Interested participants are encouraged to visit the <u>Harrison Volleyball Website</u> for registration information. Optional training for try-out sessions will be conducted on May 5th and 6th. Registration for these sessions is also available on the website.
- HHS Spain Trip The Harrison HS World Language Dept is planning a student trip to Spain for Summer of 2026. This means that our 8th grade students will be eligible to join the excitement! Please see <u>This Flyer</u> for details and to RSVP to an informational meeting on Tuesday, April 29 at 5:30 in the HHS Attendance Building Café. The trip is open to any student who is actively taking Spanish during the 2025-26 school year. They'll need parent chaperones, too!

KMHS Metro Softball – See the 2025 KMHS Metro Softball Tryouts Flyer and sign up Here to try out on May 12th & 13th.

Allatoona Metro Softball – Tryouts are coming for both middle school and high school softball at Allatoona. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details.

Hoya Lacrosse Camp – See <u>This Flyer</u> and sign up <u>Here</u> for a summer LAX camp June 10-12.

Jr. Bucs Cheer Camp – See This Flyer for information on the Jr. Bus Cheer camp for ages 4-12. Each day has a theme!

Day 1

Day 3

Allatoona HS Volleyball Tryouts – Tryouts for AHS Volleyball and a mandatory parent meeting are occurring at the beginning of May. See This Flyer for details.

KMHS Volleyball – To register for KMHS Volleyball tryouts, see This Flyer or Click Here. Also, for information on their summer volleyball camp, <u>Click Here</u>.

Community Events (Cont.)

Allatoona Creek Mountain Bike Team – Come to Allatoona Creek Park Meet & Greet to meet the team and go on a fun ride with us! Don't forget your bike and helmet if you plan to ride. This event is rain or shine. The Allatoona Creek Mountain Bike Teams serves rising 6th - 12th graders. Visit our FAQ for more information. Registration is now open. More information about joining a team can be found Here.

Hoya Baseball Camp – For information on Harrison's Hoya Baseball Camp see This Form.

AHS Basketball Summer Camps – Ready to level up your game, learn new skills, and have a blast while doing it? Sign up for one of Allatoona High School's Youth and Middle School Sports Summer Camps. Get ready for high-energy, teamwork, and fun! Use This Link to sign up.

NCHS Summer Soccer Camp – North Cobb High School is hosting a youth summer soccer camp. See This Flyer for details.

Harrison XC Camp – Harrison's Cross country camp is for rising 5th through 9th grade students. It is being held June 2-6. See <u>This</u> <u>Site</u> for details.

Harrison Softball – Harrison High School softball tryouts will be held May 5-9. See This Flyer for details.

Hoya Baseball Camps – See This Site or This Flyer for information on the camps listed below.

- Camp 1: June 2-5 (Fundamentals Camp 1st-7th grade)
- Camp 2: June 8-9 (Prospect Camp 8-9th grade)

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.

KMHS Tennis Camp – The Kennesaw Mtn. HS Tennis Booster Club is hosting a tennis camp for kids 5-17. See This Flyer 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* at The Arts Intensive.

Upcoming Dates

- 4/28 Milestones 8th Grade Social Studies (Section 1 & 2)
- 4/29 Milestones 8th Grade Math (Section 1 & 2)
- 4/30 Milestones 6th Grade ELA (Section 1)
- 4/30 NJHS @ 8:00
- 4/30 Orchestra Spring Concerts @ KMHS (6:30pm)
- 5/1 Milestones 6th Grade ELA (Sections 2 & 3)
- 5/1 Milestones Algebra (Section 1)
- 5/1 Sounds of McClure
 - o 6:00 6th Grade
 - o 7:00 7th Grade
 - o 8:00 8th Grade
- 5/2 National Lunch Hero Day
- 5/2 Milestones 6th Grade Math (Sections 1 & 2)
- 5/2 Milestones Algebra (Section 2)
- 5/2 Rain Date for Sounds of McClure
- 5/9 Last day to turn in library books