



# The Maverick Minute

Parent Edition – 5/5/24

## Principal's Note

McClure Families,

It is hard to believe, but there are only three weeks left in the school year. Over the next several days, there will be many things going on at McClure to conclude the 2023-24 school year successfully: 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Milestones Testing, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Music Department Disney Trip, McClure Olympics, the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Picnic, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Honors Day, the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Walk, and our Senior Walk. It is a celebratory time of year with all that is happening as we as a McClure staff enjoy our last days with each of our students, especially our 8<sup>th</sup> grade class. During the next three weeks, please don't forget that we will still have teaching and learning occurring every day at school, and that we are compiling grades to conclude the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of the school year. Please continue to monitor [ParentVue](#) so that your student does not miss out on year-end activities because they are being pulled to complete class work. As always, we appreciate your partnership and your support at home of everything we are working on at McClure. This team approach is what makes the McClure community *The Best in the West!* Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Cory Stanley

## Shout Outs

**Our Teachers** – This week is Teacher Appreciation Week, and nobody has a better group to celebrate than McClure! Shout out to the countless hours that the McClure Team has dedicated to all our Mavericks! We would not be *The Best in the West* without the teachers we have at McClure. Help us celebrate them this week!

**Music Masters** – Shout out to Nic Johnson, Kim Alfano, Ashleigh Rider, and Sidney Maurice for an amazing series of concerts last week. Our ensembles were so impressive! The outpouring of parent and community support for our performing groups was also overwhelming. Thank you, music directors for all you do to make McClure look (AND SOUND) the best!

**School Nurse** – This Wednesday is National School Nurse's Day. Help us celebrate the amazing Angela Dubiel this week. She is a fantastic partner with our students, our parents, and our staff, and she always keeps the calmest of heads, even in stressful situations. Thank you Angela!

**The McClure Foundation** – Shout out to the McClure Foundation for their work coordinating Sounds of McClure in partnership with the McClure Band Program. It was an amazing night, and incredibly well organized! Thank you!

## 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 encouraging  
excellence, enthusiasm,  
and ingenuity.*



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## Instructional

**EOY Assessment** – When it comes to instruction at McClure, we are very data driven. We use assessment data to determine who has learned and who has not. This data helps us continually refine and develop our instructional practices to better meet the needs of ALL students. Because there is no end of grade (EOG) Milestones assessment for social studies and science in 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade, our teacher teams have developed their own end of year (EOY) assessments to evaluate student learning for the year. These tests are not as lengthy as the Milestones but will give our teams data on who has learned, who hasn't, where we did well instructionally, and where we can improve next year. The schedule for the EOY tests can be seen below:

- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Science – May 15<sup>th</sup>
- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies – May 14<sup>th</sup>
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Science – May 9<sup>th</sup>
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies – May 16<sup>th</sup>

## Operational

**Drop Off Reminder** – A friendly reminder that dropping off items for students should be reserved for emergencies only. Sometimes leaving something at home is a great learning experience for the next time around!

**May Calendar** – Keep up with all things McClure in May with the [May Calendar](#).

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance Checkout** – Students must be in attendance until at least 12:30 on the day of the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance to attend the evening event. If you are planning to check your student out prior to dismissal, please complete [This Form](#) and submit it to your student's homeroom teacher no later than Wednesday, 5/15.

**Nurse's Note** – Parents, please remember to pick up any medications your student may have in the clinic on or before the last school day of school. All medications will be disposed of following dismissal on the last day. Thank you!

**Student Laptop Chargers** – Milestones Testing is occurring now! 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 [Amazon](#). This charger will work with both current models of student laptops (many 6<sup>th</sup> 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).

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Calendar** – The end of the year is busy for all students at McClure, but especially for our 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Thank you to our 8<sup>th</sup> grade team for putting together an [End-of-the-Year 8<sup>th</sup> 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 17<sup>th</sup> 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!

**7<sup>th</sup> 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 [MclureMSSupport@cobbk12.org](mailto:MclureMSSupport@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

**Teacher Appreciation Week** – McClure is *The Best in the West!* It's time to appreciate teachers.

- Monday: Morning biscuits compliments of McDonalds
- Tuesday: Picnic lunch by Sip's Kitchen Table sponsored by North Metro Church
- Wednesday: Ice Cream Bar (toppings provided by amazing parents)
- Thursday: Travelin Tom's coffee truck
- Friday: Gotta Have It food truck sponsored by McClure Foundation

Please click the [Signup Genius Link](#) and bring donations to the front office by Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at the end of day. We appreciate our teachers, but we appreciate the great support from our parents too! Thank you!

**Duty-Free Lunch** – As part of Teacher Appreciation Week, we are helping to provide the teachers a duty-free lunch this coming Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Sign up [Here](#) to help supervise duty-free lunch!

**School Store** – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Disney trip items will be for sale in the school store on Monday! We will have a variety of Mickey and Minnie ears for \$6, Disney lanyards for \$3 and LED sunglasses for \$3. Supplies are limited so come check it out before they sell out! The store is open Tuesdays and Fridays 8:50-9:10 am.



**McClure Olympics** – Join us for the McClure Olympics! During the week of May 13, each grade will participate in an Olympics field day, movie day, and academic bowl. See the below schedule for more details. Please sign up [Here](#) to volunteer or to donate snacks and drinks. Donated soda and chips will be provided for free to each student on movie day. In addition, the PTSA will purchase drinks and candy that students can buy on field day for \$2 per item. All proceeds go to support the PE department.

### **Tuesday, May 14, 2024**

- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade – Movie
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade – Field Events
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – Academic Bowl

### **Wednesday, May 15, 2024**

- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade – Field Events
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade – Academic Bowl
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – Movie

### **Thursday, May 16, 2024**

- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade – Academic Bowl
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade – Movie
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – Field Events

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance** – Our 8th Graders have voted and want a night Under the Stars! On Friday May 17<sup>th</sup> 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 are 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 [Bekka Fedusiv](#). 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 - [Click here](#).



**Dance Volunteers & Donations** – 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Grade parents, we'd love your help decorating for the social as well as chaperoning and serving food during the event! 8<sup>th</sup> Grade parents, we're sorry you can't help out during the social, but you can donate decorations or yummy treats! There are 3 ways to donate:

- [Amazon Wish List](#)
- Venmo: Bekka Fedusiv @rebekka-fedusiv
- In Person Donations: Please click [This Link](#) and bring your donations to the school anytime between now and Tuesday, May 14th.

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## PTSA (Cont.)

**May Carnival** – McClure will be celebrating the last day of school (May 22<sup>nd</sup>) with a carnival! We need your help to make this event a success. Please sign up [Here](#) if you're able to help.

**Summer Groceries for Students in Need** – EBT cards are not being given to families in need this Summer, a decision that was beyond our control. So, our students who receive weekly blessing bags will not have those EBT cards to help fill the gap in the weeks school is not in session. We would like to give every blessing bag student a grocery card. Please purchase \$25 gift cards to Kroger, Publix, Aldi, or Walmart and leave them in the front office. Thank you for helping make sure all our Maverick students have food this summer!

**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 [This Form](#) to submit your interest(s). We look forward to hearing from you!

**PTSA Questions** – Email [mcclureptsa@gmail.com](mailto:mcclureptsa@gmail.com)

## Foundation

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Shout Outs** – Looking for a special way to celebrate your 8<sup>th</sup> grader's time at McClure? The McClure Foundation has you covered! Surprise your amazing student with a personalized 8<sup>th</sup> 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 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 now! Purchase your message at the [Foundation Store](#).



## Community Events

**Kennesaw Parks & Recreation Camps** – Kennesaw Parks & Rec has a TON of events going on for kids and teens this summer. See [This Flyer](#) for details or visit the [Summer Camp Website](#). We have a limited number of \$50 vouchers at McClure that are first come, first served to our families. Interested? Complete [This Form](#).

**KSU History Museum Summer Events** – See [This Flyer](#) for summer camp opportunities coming up at Kennesaw State University's History Museum.

**Human Trafficking** – Human Trafficking is a parent's worst nightmare. See [This Flyer](#) for an event to inform parents coming up this Tuesday, May 7 (6:30-7:30) at North Metro Church.

**KMHS Volleyball Tryouts** – Middle School Team tryouts are scheduled for Tuesday, 5/7 and Wednesday, 5/8 from 6:30-8:30 in the KMHS Main Gym. Signup [Here](#). They welcome all skill levels, but are especially interested in players who are hard workers with positive attitudes! Also, feel free to contact [Coach Heather Prochaska](#) with questions.



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## Community Events (Cont.)

**KMHS Softball** – Tryouts for the Kennesaw Mountain High School Softball programs are this week. See the [5-8 Grade Flyer](#) and the [High School Flyer](#) for details.

**KMHS XC** – Kennesaw Mountain High School is hosting an informational meeting for 8<sup>th</sup> graders interested in running cross country next year. The meeting is May 7, 2024 in the cafeteria at 6:30 PM. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

**KMHS Soccer Camp** – Kennesaw Mountain High School is hosting a Summer Soccer Camp from June 3-6. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

**KMHS Tennis Camp** – Kennesaw Mountain High School is running a tennis camp this summer. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

**KMHS XC Camp** – Kennesaw Mountain High School is hosting a summer cross country 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 [This Flyer](#) for details.

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

**Allatoona XC** – Allatoona High School Cross County is hosting an information meeting and summer training. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

**Allatoona Lacrosse** – Allatoona High School Cross County is hosting summer camps for boys and girls. See [This Flyer](#) for details and also the additional information about the [Girls Camp Theme Days](#).

**Allatoona Volleyball** – Allatoona High School is hosting a summer camp and also having upcoming tryouts. Get information for the summer camp [Here](#) and details about tryouts [Here](#).

**Allatoona Football** – Registration for Allatoona MS football is now open. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

**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 [Here](#) for details.

**Hoya Baseball Camp** – Harrison is hosting a summer baseball camp. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

**Lady Hoya Basketball** – Harrison is hosting a basketball skills camp in June. See [This Flyer](#) for details and a link to register.

**Harrison Flag Football Tryouts** – Harrison has a new flag football program and tryouts are coming soon. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

**Harrison Soccer Camp** – Rising 6th-9th graders. June 3rd-6th, 2024 (Mon-Thurs) 6:30-9:30pm. (Friday will be a makeup day if needed.) Harrison High School (Cobleigh Stadium) 4500 Due W Rd NW, Kennesaw, GA 30152. \$130 (includes camp t-shirt). See [This Flyer](#) or [This Site](#) for details.

**Jr. Hoya Cross Country Camp** – Sign up [Here](#).

**North Cobb Plant Sale** – The North Cobb Greenhouse Gang is having their annual plant sale May 8-11. See [This Flyer](#) for details and also browse the [Plant List](#).

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## Community Events (Cont.)

**NCHS XC Camp** – North Cobb High School is hosting a cross country summer camp. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

**Mountain Biking** – The Allatoona Creek Youth Mountain Bike Teams (Grades 6-12) has a meet and greet on Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

**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 [This Flyer](#) for information on workshops and summer camp opportunities upcoming at the Strand Theater. Also, see [This Flyer](#) for information about becoming a part of their summer production of Shrek The Musical, Jr.

## Upcoming Dates

- 5/6-10 – Teacher Appreciation Week
- 5/6 – Testing 7th Grade ELA, Section 1
- 5/7 – Testing 7th Grade, ELA, Sections 2 & 3
- 5/8 – Testing 6th Grade ELA, Section 1
- 5/9 – Testing 6th Grade ELA, Sections 2
- 5/9 – 7th Grade Science EOY
- 5/10 – Testing 6th Grade Math, Sections 1 & 2
- 5/14 – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies EOY
- 5/15 – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Science EOY
- 5/16 – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies EOY
- 5/17 – [Senior Walk](#) @ 10:00