



The Maverick Minute

Parent Edition – 8/13/23

Principal's Note

McClure Families,

I hope that everyone had a great weekend! Coming up this week is our annual [Open House](#). This Thursday, August 17, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm, please plan to visit McClure so that you can follow your student's schedule and meet all their teachers. The relationships our staff builds with our parents is nearly as important as the relationships we build with our students. We are blessed to be in a community that so actively supports what we do inside McClure from home. Thank you for being an integral part of our team!

Speaking of engagement, we are now fully into the swing of the school year, so it is time to start monitoring grades and behavior. Grades can be monitored through [ParentVue](#), but you need the PBIS Rewards Family App to keep an eye on your student's behavior. This week we sent out an electronic letter ([Sample Letter](#)) inviting you to join [PBIS Rewards](#). What is PBIS Rewards? You can see [This Video](#) for details, but it's our way of recognizing students for being Determined, Accountable, Respectful, and Excellent. We also use this platform to document minor behavior infractions. So, check your email (spam too) for the PBIS Rewards welcome letter, download the app, and see how you can help your student *DARE to Be a Maverick!*

Sincerely,
Cory Stanley

Instructional

Universal Screeners – Each student at McClure is in the process of completing the Math Inventory and the Reading Inventory. These assessments give students and teachers feedback on where each individual student is on their learning path. Also, the scores from these assessments help us with class placements. You can see the [Reading Inventory Information Sheet](#) and the [Math Inventory Information Sheet](#) to help you understand where your student is performing.

CTLS Learn – All teachers at McClure post daily assignments on their Class Boards in CTLS learn. Each teacher's CTLS Class Board serves as their blog. Did you know that you can see these too? See [This Document](#) for instructions on how to do so!

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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Operational

Open House – Our annual Open House will be Thursday, August 17 from 6:00 to 8:00pm. Please plan to join us so that you can follow your student’s schedule and meet each of their teachers! See [This Flyer](#) for details.

Picture Day – Our picture day is this Tuesday, August 15. You can order online at: www.strawbridge.net using the online code: FM419754. Don’t miss this opportunity to capture your kiddo!

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Bus Passes – Students in CCSD used to be able to get a pass to ride the bus with another student, however, this is no longer the case. Students must ride their own buses home in the afternoon and get off the bus at the stop closest to their own residence.

Item Drop-off – At McClure, we do not interrupt instructional time for items that are dropped off for students. Therefore, item drop-off should only occur in emergency situations. Middle school students are at the age when it is a good time to learn the hard lesson of, “Oops, I left that at home. I’d better remember it next time.” Students will be fine at school without the following items being dropped off to them: musical instrument, student laptop, PE clothes, and lunch (we will make sure they get lunch). Thank you for your support on this!

Attendance Corner – Have questions on how to submit an absence note or checking a student out of school. See the [Attendance FAQ](#) for all your attendance answers!

Student Check Out – Our front office team reminds you that all visitors and parents should bring their ID into the building with them whether they are just visiting or coming in to check a student out of school. This will save you a trip back to the car!

Yearbook – Order your yearbook early in the year and save! Use [This Link](#) to pre-order your book. The current price is \$35, but it will go up on September 1st. As an added bonus you also have the option of personalizing the front cover, but only if you order this month!

Field Trips – There is a new system for field trip permission and paperwork across CCSD and the system is 100% digital. Parents will be granting permission for field trips and uploading insurance information through [ParentVue](#). See [This Document](#) for instructions on how to do so! (Don’t worry, we will continue to share this directly to any parent involved in an upcoming trip.)

PTSA

Staff Treat – The teachers are back in the building, and we want to take them even further back to THEIR own middle school years! Help us jog their memories with snacks from the good old days! Please sign up [Here](#) to donate your favorite snack. All donations can be dropped off in the Front Office (look for the collection cart). Please bring in snacks by the end of the day on Wednesday, August 16th. The hospitality team is very grateful for your help!

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PTSA (Cont.)

Maverick Men – Dads, we would love to have you as a member of the Maverick Men, our father volunteer group. The Maverick Men help with morning drop off, lunch supervision, volunteering in classrooms, and projects around the building. There will be a pizza and information night on Tuesday, August 29th at 6:00 in the McClure Cafeteria. See [This Flyer](#) and [RSVP Here!](#) We hope you can join us!



Duty Free Lunch – Your teachers work hard. Once a month we like to give them a break from their everyday lunchroom duty. We are looking for volunteers to help out with “Duty Free Lunch.” Not only are you allowing the teachers to enjoy their lunch, but you get to say hello to your child during their lunch period. More details on the [Sign-Up Genius](#).

Trading Post – The Trading Post is open every Friday 8:50-9:10 AM. Isometric notebooks for Technology class are \$6 and sketch books for art are \$4. The store also sells school supplies and other fun items. All students are welcome to check it out! The store is located in the music and media center hallway.

Reflections – This year’s theme is *I am HOPEFUL BECAUSE*. Submission date coming soon. Stay tuned for more details!

Spirit Nights – We partner with many local businesses to raise funds for the McClure PTSA. Mark your calendars for the following dates:

- 8/25 – 4pm-8pm @ Sparkles (McCollum Pkwy)
- 9/6 – 5pm-9pm @ Cluck N Mooh (Due West Rd)
- 9/12 – 5pm-8pm @ Moxie Burger (Kennesaw Due West Rd)
- 9/21 – 5pm-8pm @ Culver’s (Kennesaw Due West Rd)

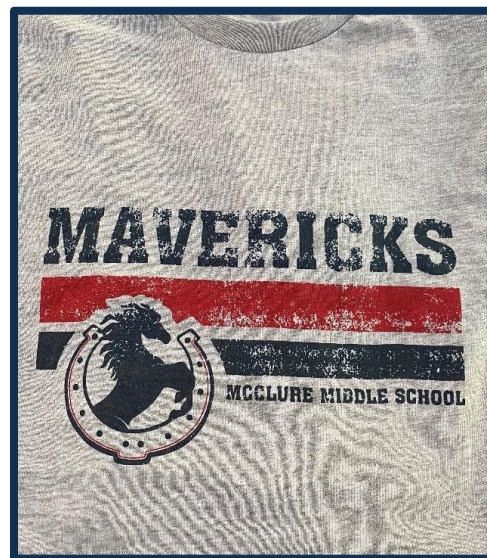
Questions – Email mcclureptsa@gmail.com

Foundation

Support The Foundation – The McClure Foundation is excited to see both new and familiar faces at Open House this week! Stop by our table to learn ways to support the Foundation. Check out the newest Maverick gear, schedule your student's birthday marquee message, or donate to have your name *forever* on a lobby horseshoe.

Order ahead for pickup at Open House. Visit [The McClure Foundation Store Online](#) and order by 8pm Tuesday, August 15 for pickup at Open House. Orders received after the cutoff will be delivered to your student's homeroom.

The McClure Foundation is a volunteer-run, non-profit group that supports our students and teachers in the areas of innovation and technology. Through our annual campaign, horseshoe donations, generous community sponsors and other events, the McClure Foundation sponsors projects that benefit ALL students - most recently the Maverick Makeover of two STEM labs. Stay tuned for some exciting projects for the 2023-2024 School Year!



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Community Events

Youth Basketball – Did you know the City of Marietta offers a [Youth Basketball League](#) and [5v5 Drop-in Basketball Program](#) for grades 6-8?

Allatoona Lacrosse – Are you in the Allatoona High School feeder pattern and interested in playing lacrosse. See [This Flyer](#) on how to get started!

KMHS Volleyball – The Kennesaw Mountain Volleyball program will be celebrating their middle school team at the Varsity & JV games on Thursday, August 17th at 5:30pm. We would love to invite students from our feeder schools to join us. Admission is free and we will have spirit wear and concessions available. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

Mellow Mushroom – Mellow Mushroom off Dallas Highway is another great partner with our school. When there are events where we need to feed the staff, they always give us a great deal and have amazing service. (Plus, the pizza is great!) Next time your headed out for family dinner, give them a try!

Martinizing Dry Cleaning – Shout out to this [Locally-Owned Business](#) who partners with the McClure Team each year to keep our staff looking clean and pressed! Their customer service is incredible, and we encourage you to take your business to them as well. Tell them McClure sent you!



Bus Drivers Wanted – CCSD is now hiring bus drivers. See [This Flyer](#) for details!

Harrison All Sports Passes – Harrison athletics are now selling All Sports Passes. These passes will get you into all regular season athletic events at Harrison. It's a great deal and a portion of the sales comes back to McClure. See [This Flyer](#) for details!

Upcoming Dates

- 8/15 – Fall Pictures
- 8/17 – Open House (6:00-8:00pm)
- 8/18 – DARE Day!
- 8/21 – Asynchronous Learning Day
- 8/25 – PTSA Spirit Night @ Sparkles (McCollum Parkway)
- 8/29 – Maverick Men Pizza and Information Night @ 6:00 in the McClure Cafeteria

