

The Maverick Minute

Parent Edition - 1/21/24

Principal's Note

McClure Families,

I hope that everyone had a great weekend and that you were able to stay warm! On January 11, all students took a Mock Milestones assessment. During this assessment students were provided two nonfiction texts. They were then provided a writing prompt where they had to cite evidence from the texts in their written response. This is a skill we work on often at McClure, and one that students will apply throughout their school careers (and on into their adult lives). Our ELA teachers will be working diligently to provide feedback to students on their performance so that they can take steps of improvement prior to the actual Milestones Assessments in April and May. On those actual tests, students are rated with one of four scores: Beginning Learner (1), Developing Learner (2), Proficient Learner (3), or Distinguished Learner (4). Our goal is to move our 1s to 2s, our 2s to 3s, and our 3s to 4s. Thank you for taking some time to ask your student how they did and where they think they can strive to improve. These sorts of conversations can make all the difference!

Sincerely, Cory Stanley

Shout Outs

All-State Orchestra – Our congratulations Daniel Lim, Ishan Chande, and Susan Kim for their selection into the 2024 Georgia All-State Orchestra. The audition process is extremely competitive, and we are incredibly proud of our Mavericks!

RI/MI Growth – All CCSD students take the Scholastic Math Inventory and the Scholastic Reading Inventory at least three times per year. This allows us to monitor student growth in the reading and math skills. At McClure, we always look for opportunities to celebrate success. See the lists of students below who scored in the advanced range or made the greatest growth in the scoring during our recent, midyear testing window!

6 th Grade	7 th Grade	8 th Grade
Math Inventory	Math Inventory	Math Inventory
Reading Inventory	Reading Inventory	Reading Inventory

Instructional

Grade Check – We are entering our third full week of Quarter 3. Have you checked ParentVue? Now is a great time 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

PBIS Carnival – At the end of this semester, McClure will be hosting a PBIS Carnival for our students who demonstrate positive behavior during the second semester of the school year. There will be a rock-climbing wall, inflatables, a dunk tank, and many other activities for our students. The PBIS Carnival will not cost students any dollars to attend, thanks to Apex Games; however, it will cost them 400 PBIS Rewards Points. The have all of January, February, March, April, and May to collect these points, but now is the time to start saving! How many points does your Maverick have? You can find out in the PBIS Rewards Family App (Available on the App Store or Google Play). Contact our front office if you need assistance!

Allatoona 8th **Grade Parent Night –** This Thursday, 1/25, Allatoona High School will be hosting an 8th Grade Parent night from 6:30-7:15 in the Allatoona Auditorium. See This Flyer for details.

Outside Food & Drinks – In order to assure that our building remains clean and beautiful, this is a reminder that outside food and beverages are not allowed in the hallways and classrooms at McClure (except for special events). On regular school days, if a student walks in with Starbucks or Chick-fil-A, they must either finish it at the door or throw it away. So, don't go out of your way to run through the drive-thru right before school!

Attendance Corner – Please provide documentation anytime a student misses class time due to checking in late, checking out early, or absent all day. If your student is absent due to doctor or dental appointment, please provide documentation from the doctor to excuse the absence. All attendance notes must be received within 3 days of absence. Send communication to McClureMSSupport@cobbk12.org.

Yearbook – This Friday, 1/26, is an important deadline; we must finalize the number of books that will be printed this year. Ordering before Friday ensures that you will get a book. After Friday the number of books available will be limited, and there may not be one left for you. Don't miss this opportunity – we always sell out of books! Order Here! (Did you know that you can order now and pay in several installments?)

Addams Family Tickets on Sale Now – So many questions to be answered but only if you attend one of our shows: Thursday, February 1 through Saturday, February 3. Find out if true love wins out for Wednesday and Lucas. Will Fester finally connect with the love of his life? Will Morticia forgive Gomez for his treachery and deceit? Whose Grandma is she anyway? Will Mal give up his uptight ways? Will Alice finally take charge? You know you need answers! Order Your Tickets Now!



Honor Roll Adjustment – We have adjusted our Honor Roll Celebration times from what was previously published. The Honor Roll Celebration will be on Friday, 1/26 at the times listed below. For this reason, we have also updated the January Calendar of Events.

- 8th Grade 10:00
- 7th Grade 1:00
- 6th Grade 3:00

Family Needs Assessment – Our School Social Worker, Ms. Tyeisha Williams, does an amazing job supporting families in our community. However, we do not always know when there are community needs. She would appreciate your taking time to complete This Survey to share concerns you may have in your household. Also, if you know of families that have needs she might assist with, please feel free to Email Her directly. Thank you!

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PTSA

School Store – The Trading Post school store will continue to be open Tuesdays and Fridays. Isometric notebooks for Technology (\$6) and sketch books for art class (\$4) are available for purchase. We also have great deals on school supplies! The store also will be selling Valentine's Day items for \$1-\$5 beginning this week. Come check out our new items!

Upcoming Spirit Nights:

1/26: 4pm-8pm @ Sparkles (McCollum Pkwy)

Questions - Email mcclureptsa@gmail.com

Foundation

Annual Engagement Drive – The McClure Foundation would like to encourage all our Maverick families to participate in the Annual Engagement Drive! The Foundation provides funding for projects at McClure that go beyond what the district can offer, such as our updated S.T.E.M. Labs and new digital bulletin boards. Help us raise \$10,000 to purchase additional AV equipment. Families can support our incredible school by giving a \$25 or more with 3 ways to give:

- Buy a personalized lobby horseshoe
- Schedule a birthday message on the marquee
- Make a monetary donation

Check out This Flyer for more information and to donate online today!



Community Events

Harrison Lacrosse – Harrison is hosting free TryLax day at Harrison High School Stadium January 28th for anyone who is interested, boy or girl. See This Flyer for details.

- **GA Pistols AAU Girls Basketball** Tryouts for girls in 3rd to 8th grade will be held on January 28th at Holy Innocents from 5:00 to 7:00. Click Here for details.
- **Jr. Mustangs Swim & Dive** The swimming and diving season is just about to begin for the Jr. Mustangs. There is no experience necessary to participate. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details.

Upcoming Dates

- 1/23 Band Concerts
 - o 6-1 @ 6:00
 - o 6-2 @ 7:30
- 1/24 Student of the Month Celebration @ 8:00 in the LLC
- 1/25 8th Grade Parent Night (6:30-7:15) for Rising AHS 9th Graders @ The Allatoona H.S. Auditorium
- 1/26 Honor Roll Celebration
 - o 8th Grade 10:00
 - o 7th Grade 1:00
 - o 6th Grade 3:00
- 1/26 PTSA Spirit Night @ Sparkles (McCollum Parkway)