

# The Maverick Minute

Parent Edition - 1/22/23

# **Principal's Note**

McClure Families,

This past week, 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 – Congratulations to Maverick Daniel Lim on his selection into the All-State Orchestra. The audition and selection processes are very rigorous. We are so proud of this accomplishment!

**Former Maverick** – Check out <u>This Article</u> on former McClure student Jack Lakis who was selected to the United States Senate Youth Program and awarded a \$10,000 scholarship. Even after they leave us, our students DARE to Be a Maverick!

# Instructional

Milestones Assessments – Each year our students participate in Milestones End of Grade and End of Course Assessments. In case you are curious as to why it is important for all students to participate in these tests, Principal Stanley created <a href="This Video">This Video</a> to explain.

## Mission:

One Team, One Goal, Student Success

### Vision:

A school of excellence where all students succeed

# McClure Motto:

DARE to Be a Maverick!

## 2022-23 Theme:

We're not just lucky...
We're good!

# Maverick - noun /'mav(a)rik/ A trendsetter who is not afraid to walk a new path. A Maverick leads others by encouraging excellence, enthusiasm, and ingenuity.



Officer Norah brought the throwback technology to DARE DAY Friday!

# DARE to Be a Maverick!

# **Operational**

Harrison 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Night – On Tuesday, February 7, Harrison High School will host its annual 8<sup>th</sup> grade parent night. See <u>This</u> Flyer for details.

Student Laptop Safety – When at school, the CCSD network does a great job of filtering out content that may not be appropriate for middle school students. However, this is not always the case on your home network. The student laptops are set up to filter out content that is obviously inappropriate, but our students are sometimes very good at finding content that slips through the cracks. For this reason, we recommend treating the CCSD student laptop like you would any other technology in your household and monitor its use closely. Students should not have hours and hours of homework every night. So, if they are spending a significant amount of time on their school laptop outside of school, it is a good idea to monitor what they are doing. We also recommend, just like all technology, that each household have a time in the evening where it gets put away in a supervised location. The student laptops are a fantastic tool for learning, but it takes all of us to make sure they are used effectively for just that.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Registration – Please see <u>This Updated List</u> of important dates for your 8<sup>th</sup> grade student when it comes to high school registration.

# **PTSA**

Spirit Night – This Friday is a PTSA Spirit Night @ Sparkles from 4:00-8:00. We hope to see you there!

# **Foundation**

**Birthday Wishes** – 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. Each message is displayed on McClure's digital marquee on the school's sign on the school day of your choice. Plus, each message fuels the mission of the McClure Foundation.

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**

**Lewis Elementary Pizza Night** – Lewis Elementary School is hosting an upcoming event and they are looking for parent and student volunteers! See their note below:

Thank you for helping us make Lewis Elementary's Pizza Bingo a night to remember! Pizza Bingo Night runs from 5:30pm-7:00pm on Friday, February 3rd, 2023. We need 4 volunteers to set up from 4-5pm, 16 volunteers to help with the event from 5:30-7pm and 4 volunteers to clean up from 7-7:30pm.

- Prepaid Orders Table 2 volunteers
- Bingo Card Checkers 3 volunteers
- Prize Assistants 1 volunteer
- Concessions 4 volunteers
- Popcorn Makers 2 volunteers

Set Up will include setting up the check in and prepaid order tables, making popcorn and organizing the bingo area and prizes. Clean Up will include putting away the bingo area and leftover prizes, picking up trash and putting away bingo cards/markers. Please click the Sign-Up Genius Link to pick where you can help. Please sign up before January 30th, so our Chair - Sherry - doesn't have a heart attack. Contact Audrey Zohner at audreyvzohner@gmail.com or text at 404-250-2795 if you have questions.

# DARE to Be a Maverick!

# **Community Events (Cont.)**

**GA Pistols Tryouts** – The Ga. Pistols are a well-established basketball club for the Spring and Summer and our primary focus is player development and fundamentals. This focus has led to many AAU and YBOA State Championships and a few AAU National Championships. Over 350 of our players have gone on to play college basketball and some onto professional basketball. We work in harmony and in supports of high school basketball programs. See <u>This Flyer</u> for tryout details.

# **Upcoming Dates**

- 1/26 Students of the Month @ 8:00 in the McClure LLC
- 1/26 Allatoona Rising 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Night @ 6:30 in the Allatoona Theater
- 1/27 Honor Roll Celebrations
  - o 8th Grade @ 9:30
  - o 7<sup>th</sup> Grade @ 1:30
  - o 6<sup>th</sup> Grade @ 3:30
- 1/27 Sparkles Spirit Night
- 2/7 Harrison 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Night





