

The Maverick Minute

Parent Edition – 1/3/24

Principal's Note

McClure Families,

Happy New Year! I hope that everyone had an outstanding holiday season and that our students are ready to get back to business at McClure! Even though we are at the halfway point of the schoolyear, in many ways this is a new beginning. Prior to the break, I encouraged students to take everything home, go through their backpacks, empty out their binders, throw away unusable materials, and come back to school ready for a fresh start. If your student has not yet done this, this evening is a great time to sit down with them to clean out the old and prepare for the new. Tomorrow, the staff at McClure will be setting the tone for the second semester, and the message will feel much like it did at the start of the year. Teachers will be talking about what it looks like to be Determined, Accountable, Respectful, and Excellent throughout our building, and establishing the standards for both academics and behavior in quarters 3 & 4. Thank you for taking a moment to have this same conversation with your Maverick so that they can hit the ground ready and running tomorrow. As always, we appreciate your support of everything we do at McClure from home!

Sincerely, Cory Stanley

Shout Outs

PTSA Reflections Winners – Congratulations to our Reflections winners, who were celebrated prior to our holiday break. Congratulations to Bhuvana Sonti, Tanvika Karavalla, Ava Freeman, and Eva Sotello!











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 <u>encouraging</u> <u>excellence</u>, <u>enthusiasm</u>, and <u>ingenuity</u>.



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Shout Outs (Cont.)

Holiday Party – Shout out to our PTSA and all who contributed to our Annual Student Holiday Party! See pictures below.





Instructional

McClure Tutoring – Our core content area teams in each grade level are here to support our students before and after school. See the McClure Tutoring Schedule for details. Thank you for the additional effort on your part to get students in early and pick them up late so that they can attend tutoring sessions.

Operational

- Stars & Strikes Field Trips The PBIS Field Trips to Stars & Strikes are next week! Parents must give permission through ParentVue. See <u>Web Browser Instructions</u> and the <u>Mobile Instructions</u> (Spanish) for details. The cost of the trip is \$10, which is an amazing deal (thanks to funds from Apex Games). Students will receive pizza, soda, laser tag, bowling, and unlimited gaming! Payment can be made through <u>MyPaymentsPlus</u>.
- 6th Grade Parent Survey Our Wellness Committee would like all 6th grade parents to complete a brief survey so that they can better meet the needs of our community. Please see their <u>Survey Request Letter</u> for details and complete the survey <u>Here</u>.

January Events – Keep up with everything at McClure with the January Calendar of Events.

PTSA

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!



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Community Events

KMHS Cadet Guard – The Kennesaw Mountain Band in forming a Cadet Guard. See This Flyer for details!

After School Program – Did you know that Kennesaw Parks & Recreation transports students every day directly from McClure to the Ben Robertson Community Center for their after-school program? This is a great service that includes tutoring support for academics as well as recreation for students. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details.

Upcoming Dates

- 1/4 First Day of the Spring Semester
- 1/9 6th Grade Stars & Strikes
- 1/10 PTSA Executive Cabinet @ 9:30 in the PDR
- 1/10 PTSA General Meeting @ 10:00 in the PDR
- 1/10 7th Grade Stars & Strikes
- 1/11 Mock Milestones Assessment
- 1/12 8th Grade Stars & Strikes