



# The Maverick Minute

Parent Edition – 1/8/23

## Principal's Note

McClure Families,

I hope that everyone had a great weekend and that you are all back in the family rhythm of being in school again! This coming week will be the first full week of the second semester. This week we will begin [McClure Tutoring](#) for before and after school instructional support. If you have a student who needs additional support in one of the core content areas, we appreciate your extra effort dropping them off early or picking them up late.

You will notice on the [McClure Tutoring Schedule](#) that not every teacher has a session. However, your student can attend any teacher's session on their grade level. Because our teachers plan collaboratively in teams, all teachers within a subject area teach the same content at the same time. So, tell your student not to be shy about attending a support session with someone who is not "their teacher." Our team is here to help all students, whether they see each other every day or not!

Sincerely,  
Cory Stanley

## Instructional

**Instructional Interventions** – This year at McClure our theme is, "We're not just lucky... We're good!" This theme was chosen because we know we are lucky to be in a beautiful building, in an extremely supportive community, but we also work very hard at making sure that we meet the needs of ALL students. We felt like this was a good time to send a reminder of the instructional interventions available at McClure.

Intervention	What?	When
MavBlock	3 <sup>rd</sup> period class scheduled based on student need: Read180, Math Support, Writing Support, STEM	Daily
Grade Recovery	Opportunity to complete missing assignments.	Wednesdays during 3 <sup>rd</sup> period
Intensive Intervention	Strictly structured make-up work session for students who have missed many days of school or are significantly behind with task completion.	Mondays and Fridays during 3 <sup>rd</sup> period
Round Up	Flexible period for intervention, extension, and enrichment. Scheduled by both students and teachers.	Thursdays immediately following homeroom
McClure Tutoring	Before and after school support sessions.	See <a href="#">Schedule</a>

### 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(ə)rik/

*A trendsetter who is not  
afraid to walk a new  
path. A Maverick leads  
others by encouraging  
excellence, enthusiasm,  
and ingenuity.*



We discovered an old overhead projector this week and 8<sup>th</sup> graders were FASCINATED! 😊

# DARE to Be a Maverick!

## Operational

**January Update** – Due to a scheduling conflict, we have changed our quarter two honor roll date to January 27<sup>th</sup>. You will see all January dates on the [Updated January Calendar](#).

**Mock Milestones** – On Wednesday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, we will be conducting a Mock Milestones assessment at McClure. This assessment will be a reading and writing prompt similar to what students will see on the Milestones End of Grade assessment in April/May. The reason we are conducting this mock assessment is to gather data on each student's ability to read a complex passage and craft an effective response to a writing prompt about the passage. This will allow our teachers to coach our students and turn potential weaknesses into strengths over the course of the second semester. You can see the [Bell Schedule](#) for that day to stay in the loop on class timings. Why do we want all students to participate and do well on the Milestones? See the [Principal's Milestone Video](#) for details!

**High School Registration** – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade parents, please see the [High School Registration Dates](#) for important events and deadlines involving registration at Allatoona, Kennesaw Mountain, and Harrison.

**Volunteer/Student Check Out Update** – We have a new system in place for signing in and checking out students. These systems require that all visitors to school have a valid form of identification. So, don't forget your ID when you come in!

## PTSA

**Trading Post** – Did you know that our PTSA school store, The Trading Post, is open every Friday from 8:50-9:10? Sketch books and other supplies are available for purchase at great prices!

**Duty Free Lunch** – Looking for volunteer opportunities at McClure Middle School? Use this [Sign-Up Genius Link](#) for two volunteer opportunities that truly help the teachers.

## 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 [Foundation Store](#).



## Community Events

**Sex Trafficking Panel Discussion** – The Kennesaw Parks and Recreation is hosting an event to educate adults on events happening in our community on January 10 from 7:00-8:30 PM. Please see [This Flyer](#) for details.

**Georgia Pistols Girls Basketball** – Have a 3<sup>rd</sup> through 10<sup>th</sup> grade girl who is interested in playing basketball. See [This Flyer](#) for information on trying out for the Pistols, and [This Flyer](#) for skills & drills training.

**Allatoona Baseball Auction** – Allatoona Baseball has their largest fundraiser event, a silent auction/dinner, coming up in January. This is very much a family-friendly event. It will include a catered dinner, items to bid on for all ages/interests, and an Acworth native/current New York Yankees pitcher Clarke Schmidt and his retired Marine fighter pilot dad as guest speakers. See [The Flyer](#) and [Event Description](#) for details!

# *DARE to Be a Maverick!*

## Upcoming Dates

- 1/9 – College Spirit Day
- 1/13 – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Career Day
- 1/16 – MLK Day (No School)
- 1/18 – Mock Milestones Writing Assessment
- 1/20 – DARE Day
- 1/26 – Student of the Month Celebration
- 1/27 – Honor Roll Celebration

