

The Maverick Minute

Parent Edition – 10/9/22

Principal's Note

McClure Families,

I hope that everyone had a great weekend! This week at McClure, we are preparing for Conference Week, October 17-21. In addition to conferences occurring next week, there are several other important ongoings at McClure.

- 1. Scoliosis screenings for 6th & 8th grade students (10/18)
- 2. 7th grade performing arts (10/20)
- 3. 8th Grade PSAT 8/9 (10/20)

For the PSAT 8/9 there is nothing that parents have to do. Our 8th graders will take this test so that both students and parents understand both strengths and weaknesses looking ahead to the PSAT and SAT. For the scoliosis screening, parents need to return the <u>Scoliosis Opt-Out Form</u> to assure their students are not pulled from class to be screened. Lastly, 7th grade parents need to make sure their students has returned the <u>Performing Arts Permission Form</u> so that their student can attend this upcoming performances. Thank you for your assistance getting the necessary paperwork back for your student. Have a great remainder of your Sunday!

Sincerely, Cory Stanley

Shout Outs

Gold Sponsors – Thank you to <u>Ortho Zone</u> for becoming a Gold Sponsor for the McClure Foundation! It is awesome to have another great partner on our team! Interested in partnering with the McClure Foundation? Check out the <u>Updated</u> <u>Sponsor Flyer</u> today!

Instructional

Round Up – This week we will have our second flexible intervention / extension / enrichment block, Round Up. This week is an ELA priority week, so ELA get first dibs on students needing support. After that, other teachers may need to see a student during Round Up for a missed assignment or additional support. Lastly, if a student is not required to be in a session by a teacher, they may choose a Round Up session on their own through StudentVue. Of course, any time prior to Round Up each week, a teacher may override a student's choice if that teacher really needs to see that student for specific learning needs. We are excited to have an additional opportunity each week for intervention while also offering extension and enrichment to those who are ready for it.

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



The 8th grade science classes were fired up on Friday!

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Operational

- Magnet Applications Attention 8th grade parents, CCSD High School Magnet Program applications are now open. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details!
- Q1 Points On Friday, we concluded our first quarter of the school year. At McClure, we believe in teaching our DARE expectations and then recognizing them. So, we are going to begin doing this for academics and attendance throughout the year in addition to recognizing behavior. Once grades are posted for the first quarter, the following points will be awarded to students in the PBIS Rewards app:
 - All As 30 Points
 - As & Bs 20 Points
 - Cs or better 10 Points
 - No missing assignments 10 Points
 - Perfect Attendance 10 Points
- Q1 Honor Roll Our first honor roll celebration will be Monday, October 24. We celebrate each quarter in the McClure Theater. Look for the McClure Honor Roll list in the next Maverick Minute!
 - 8th Grade 9:30 am
 - 7th Grade 1:30 pm
 - 6th Grade 3:00 pm
- Scoliosis Screening We will be screening 6th & 8th grade students for scoliosis on Tuesday October 18th. Most students have regular doctor visits and annual wellness checks. This means that they are already screened for scoliosis and do not need to be pulled from class to be screened at school. Please return <u>This Form</u> so that you student does not get pulled form instruction for scoliosis screening.
- Maverick Men You may have noticed some of our dads greeting students in the morning car line or when they are getting off the bus. This is the beginning of the Maverick Men program at McClure. We want to get our dads on campus every day to interact with our students and support our staff. We will be kicking off the program with a <u>Pizza & Information Night</u> on October 25 (Correction we previously listed this date as the 22nd). Until then, if you would like to sign up to volunteer in the mornings, <u>Click Here</u>!
- **Cobb** Student Leadership Academy Meeting The Cobb Student Leadership Academy (CSLA) is hosting a free middle school conference on October 29, 2022, from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm. The conference will provide middle school students with training in effective communication, community building, problem solving, and teamwork. We will also have leadership workshops available for parents. Spots are going fast--we have 103 spots remaining out of 300! Every year, McClure students do amazing things in CSLA. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details!
- Library Learning Commons Check out the <u>September LLC Overview</u> for a glimpse of all the amazing things happening with Ms. Harpin the McClure LLC!
- Student Laptop Space If your student is having space issues on their laptop and it is acting "glitchy," they can see <u>This Flyer</u> for a solution.
- Picture Retakes Retakes will occur this coming Tuesday. Students who were absent, not yet enrolled, or need fall picture retaken will do so this coming Tuesday. If your student is having their pictures retaken, they will need to bring in the pictures being replaced on Tuesday. Retakes will take place in STEM Lab 6. The picture order form can be found <u>Here</u>.

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Operational (Cont.)

- **Kennesaw Parks & Rec ASP** Our partner in education at the Kennesaw Parks & Recreation Department offers an after school program for middle school students. They pick up directly from McClure every day and provide a great resource for both students and parents. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details!
- **Book Fair** The McClure Book Fair is coming! Sixth grade students will visit the book fair with their ELA classes on Friday, October 14th. The fair will be open to all students October 17th-20th from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. Friday, October 21st, the fair will close after homeroom. For more information about the books, how to shop the online book fair, and how to set up eWallet please visit <u>This Site</u>. Parents interested in volunteering at the Book Fair, please use the link found on The Book Fair Website to sign up.



Community Events

- Acworth Book Festival Acworth Cultural Arts is putting on a book festival on Saturday, October 22, 2022. Three YA children's book authors will be there selling their books. It's a great opportunity for media specialists to get to know authors in the area in case they would like to come to the school and present to kids about writing and literacy. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details!
- **Destination Imagination** Kennesaw Parks & Recreation is a host site for <u>Destination Imagination</u>. They are building teams for this international STEAM competition. If you have a student interested in creative problem solving, you should attend their <u>Informational Meeting</u> on October 27th.
- Allatoona Youth Basketball Registration is happening now. See This Flyer for details.
- Harrison Jr. Wrestling Registration is opening for Top Dog Wrestling. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details.
- Allatoona Baseball Fundraiser On Monday, October 24, Allatoona Bucs Baseball is hosting a golf fundraiser at Brookstone Country Club. See <u>This Page</u> for details.
- Burn Boot Camp Spirit Day Burn Boot Camp is hosting a McClure Middle School Spirit Day. Don't wait for the New Year to start reaching your goals! Join us at Burn Boot Camp Kennesaw at 2851 Cobb Pkwy NW on Thursday October 13th for a free camp, ages 18+. We accommodate all fitness levels! When you check in for your camp, mention McClure Middle School so your school will receive a \$5 donation. See This Flyer for details.
- Bullard Beautification Day Saturday, October 22nd (8-11am). Our neighbors at Bullard are hosting a fall grounds beautification day on Saturday October 22nd from 8-11 a.m. McClure families are invited to attend and help spruce up our front entrance to McClure and Bullard. Bring work gloves, shovels, a wheelbarrow, or just yourselves. Feel free to come and go as needed; any help you are able to provide is greatly appreciated. If you know a Jr ROTC, youth group or club that would like to participate we would love to have them join as well. If you have any questions please contact <u>betsyperry@hotmail.com</u>. Thank you!
- Harrison STEM Harrison High School's STEM Open House will be occurring on Wednesday, October 19. See This Flyer for details!
- CCSD Transportation Jobs CCSD is now hiring <u>Bus Drivers</u> @ \$25/hr. Only available in the morning or afternoon? They are also hiring Relief Drivers!
- Hoya Jr. Basketball Tryouts See This Flyer for information on both boys and girls Jr. Hoya Basketball tryouts.

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PTSA

Conference Week Assistance – Conference Week is October 17th thru the 21st. Each year, we provide snacks and treats for the teachers to grab between parent meetings. Please use <u>This Link</u> to sign up for something!

7th Grade Social – PTSA will be hosting the 7th grade Fall Festival Social on October 27th from 4:30-6:00. We are excited to celebrate fall with an outdoor festival full of games, music, snacks and fun. If you purchased a 7th grade bundle at the beginning of the year, entry to this event was included. If you have not purchased the bundle, tickets will be sold in the morning on October 25th and 26th. Each ticket is \$10 and includes entry and all games and food at the event. In order to make this a successful event, we need your help! Please see <u>The Sign Up</u> to volunteer your time for the festival, and the <u>Amazon Wish List</u> to help purchase items for the event. Please email <u>mcclureptsa@gmail.com</u> with any questions.

Foundation

Three Ways to Give – As you know, there are <u>Three Ways</u> to join and support the McClure foundation. Get a horseshoe in our lobby, give to the annual campaign, or a birthday shout out on the digital marquee. Any \$40 donation to the annual giving campaign gets you an awesome <u>McClure Maverick Magnet</u>. If you purchase a horseshoe or any of the fabulous bundles, then you receive a limited edition of the <u>McClure Umbrella</u>. We appreciate all our families that have supported us this year already!









