

The Maverick Minute

Parent Edition - 2/12/23

Principal's Note

McClure Families,

I hope that everyone had a SUPER weekend! We have one more week until our February Break and I am sure that our students are excited to have some time away from the academic demands of McClure. However, there are still five more school days until that break begins. This is a great time to look back at the gradebook and assure that there are not missing assignments. We know that when students return from break, they are not the best at looking back for missed learning from before the break. So, now is the time to assure that there are no gaps in the gradebook by checking ParentVue. We also know that these lengthy stretches of consecutive school days can be a grind for parents, and we appreciate all that you do to continually support our Mavericks at home. Thank you for pushing them for five more days to be their absolute best with the academics, with their behavior, and with the social interactions with one another. We appreciate for your partnership!

Sincerely, Cory Stanley

Instructional

McClure Tutoring – Don't forget that there are additional support sessions available for your student through the McClure Tutoring Program. Students can attend the sessions of any teacher on their grade level, even if it is not "their teacher." Our teachers work in collaborative teams, and all are working on the same learning targets at the same time. Thank you for taking time to drop your Maverick off early or pick them up late so that they can participate in tutoring!

Operational

Parent Survey – Each year, the Georgia Department of Education conducts surveys with students, teachers, and parents to gather data on school climate. This information becomes part of our annual College and Career Ready Performance Index report. We would really appreciate you taking a few minutes to complete the Georgia Parent Survey for us. Thank you!

March Events – March is right around the corner! Keep up with all things McClure with the March Events Calendar.

Mission:

One Team, One Goal, Student Success

Vision:

A school of excellence where all students succeed

McClure Motto:

DARE to Be a Mayerick!

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.



Gabby Brantley opened this weekend's Black History Bowl with WSB-TV's Lori Wilson. Awesome job Gabby!

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Operational (Cont.)

Helping Hands Lunch Account – At McClure, we assure that no student goes hungry. This means that we feed students even when they do not have funds in their lunch accounts. Over the course of a school year, these deficits add up and become an obligation for our team to take on. If you would like to assist students in need by making a donation to the Helping Hands lunch account, we would greatly appreciate it. Beginning tomorrow, Monday 2/13, your student's MyPaymentsPlus will show an account listed as "Helping Hands." Through this account, you can donate from \$1.00 to any amount you'd like. Thank you for helping families in our community!

9th Grade Registration – Please see the notes below. Please contact Ms. Sherer with any high school questions.

- Allatoona Allatoona registration is officially closed.
- Kennesaw Mountain Elective registration is now open until Sunday Feb 19. Students received directions last Monday at the high school presentation. If anyone needs extra copies, please see Mrs. Sherer.
- Harrison Elective registration started February 10 and closes March 4. Please see <u>This Document</u> for information. Students will receive a copy of elective directions in homeroom on Monday. There have been glitches in StudentVue. If you log in and don't see electives, log out and try on Monday.

PTSA

Candy Grams – Monday morning is the last day to purchase your candy grams for \$2. These will be handed out in homeroom on Valentine's Day.

Chick-fil-A – Wednesday morning, 2/15, Chick-fil-A chicken biscuits will be sold for \$4 in the atrium before homeroom.

Sparkles – Friday, February 24, is Sparkles Spirit Night. Please mention McClure for a portion of sales to be donated to McClure MS!

Susan Wing Scholarship – The McClure PTSA awards a \$1000 each year to a high school senior who attended McClure. Susan Wing, the first principal at McClure Middle School, established four pillars for how the staff would go about it's day to day work with students and with each other: Encouraging, Excellence, Enthusiasm, Ingenuity. Applicants should demonstrate these qualities as well! See This Flyer for details on how to apply. The deadline to apply is March 31, 2023.

STEMapalooza – Please Save the Date for this fun, free, family STEM event that is scheduled for Thursday, March 16, from 6-8 p.m. here at McClure. There will be many STEM activities led by our McClure teachers including making slime, lava lamps, balloon rocket races, and ice cream! There will be outside presentations by the Cobb K-9 Unit, Raptors from the Wings of SOAR Program, and Cobb Watershed's Snakes of Georgia. We'll have food available for purchase with cash or credit card. See the STEMapalooza Flyer for details!

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>.



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Community Events

Junior Mustangs XC – The Junior Mustangs Cross Country Team will start their Spring Conditioning in March. All rising 6th - 8th graders are invited to join us. All skill levels are welcome. For more information, please visit www.jrmustangsxc.com

Allatoona Spring Girls Basketball Camp – See <u>This Flyer</u> for the first ever Allatoona Girls Basketball Skills Camp. Registration is open through March 1st and can be found <u>Here</u>.

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 This Flyer for tryout details.

Upcoming Dates

- 2/13 Candy Grams on sale before school for \$2
- 2/14 American Heart Challenge Day
- 2/15 Chick-fil-A biscuits on sale before school for \$4
- 2/17 DARE Day
- 2/17 Sparkles Spirit Night
- 2/20 President's Day (No School)
- 2/21-24 February Break (No School)
- 3/16 STEMapalooza (6:00-8:00)







