



# The Maverick Minute

Parent Edition – 4/23/23

## Principal's Note

McClure Families,

I hope that everyone had a fantastic weekend and that you were able to come out to McClure for the amazing performances of *Matilda the Musical*! Coming up this week, we begin Milestones testing in our 8<sup>th</sup> grade. See the [Milestones Schedule](#) and the [Daily Bell Schedules](#) to keep up with what each day will look like during testing. During the next few weeks, students in all grade levels will have the opportunity to show off all that they have learned throughout this school year. At McClure, we talk often about our DARE expectations. During Milestones testing, the D in DARE becomes very important. Operationally, the schedule for the school day is often different for students because of testing occurring somewhere in the building. So, students must remain determined to be their best, even though their routines may have been altered. Instructionally, often grit, perseverance, and tenacity are the difference between a good performance and a great one. Once again, when testing, students must remain determined to give a full effort, to go back and double check their answers, and not settle for less than their best. We will be relaying this message to our student each day of Milestones and we hope you will do the same at home! Have a great remainder of your Sunday!

Sincerely,  
Cory Stanley

## Shout Outs

**Matilda** – Shout out to the amazing cast and crew of *Matilda the Musical*. The shows this past week were exceptionally entertaining and well done! To Ms. Burchette, Ms. Crowe, Ms. Born, Ms. Heyser, and Mr. Gandolfo as well as to all the cast and crew...BRAVO!

**Book Drive** – Shout out to all the families who contributed to last week's book drive. Ms. Harpin and her team in the Library Learning Commons collected 726 books for the CCSD Public Library and their Summer Bookmobile!

**Reflections** – Shout out to 8<sup>th</sup> grade Maverick Anais Valdez for her 3D art PTSA Reflections submission. Her piece made it all the way to the state competition!



## 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.*



Bravo, *Matilda* cast & crew!

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## Shout Outs (Cont.)

**Front Office Team** – This Wednesday is National Administrative Professionals Day, and we will be celebrating Ms. Kim Edwards, Ms. Constance Bargeron, Ms. Robyn Saffer, Ms. Summer Lundberg, and Ms. Dana Nooney on that day. You know that when you walk in the door at McClure, they are going to get you whatever you need all day, every day. We appreciate all that they do and how welcome and taken care of people feel when visiting our building because of the joy they bring to McClure. They are the BEST!

## Instructional

**High School Classes** – At McClure, 8th grade students have the opportunity to take high school classes and earn high school credit. Placement for some of these classes, like Algebra and Physical Science, automatically occurs based on the successful completion of prerequisite courses in 6th and 7th grades. Others, such as foreign language and Leadership & Law, have a list of requirements including standardized testing data. Students who qualify for these courses received communication through CTLS on Friday, 4/21. One course that ALL 7th grade students can apply to take in 8th grade is High School Visual Art. If you have a student interested in Ms. Heyser's year-long art course, they must submit sample artwork and complete the Art Application. The deadline to apply for high school courses in 8th grade is Sunday, May 7th and 11:59pm.

## Operational

**Updated Power Adapter** – If your student has lost their power adapter for their student laptop, please purchase a new one [Here](#). We have updated this link and apologize if you purchased an adapter previously that did not function properly!

**Olympic Spirit Week** – During the upcoming McClure Olympics, we will be adding to the festivities with a Spirit Week. Each grade level's spirit attire will depend on their Olympic Schedule. See details below:

- [6<sup>th</sup> Grade Spirit Week](#)
- [7<sup>th</sup> Grade Spirit Week](#)
- [8<sup>th</sup> Grade Spirit Week](#)

**Coping Skills Boxes (LAST CALL)** – Please help support our military kids with coping skills boxes. April is Month of the Military Child. Dobbins has two units deploying to Africa and to Europe this year. We are putting together Coping Skills Boxes to donate to the students who have parents deploying from Dobbins. Items we are collecting consist of the following: coloring books for children and teens, color pencils, Rubik's cubes, stuffed animals, photo key rings, journals, stationary, ink pens, fidgets, etc. See [This Flyer](#) for details and drop of items in the barrel in our front lobby. Please contact our counselor [Stacye Sledge](#), who is coordinating this effort, with questions.

**Yearbook (LAST CALL)** – Yearbook sales end on April 30th! Make sure you reserve your copy before it's too late. We may have extra books for sale in May but we have sold out in the past so make sure you reserve now! You can order your yearbook from the button on our website or use [This Link](#).

**Senior Walks** – This year, McClure is joining our elementary neighbors by inviting our former Mavericks back to McClure for a senior walk. The McClure Senior Walk will be Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am. Graduating seniors should report to the front office in their cap and gown to check in. Thank you for sharing [This Invitation](#) in our community!

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## PTSA

**Duty Free Lunch** – Duty free lunch gives our teachers a quiet space to eat away from students. Please consider volunteering for a shift to watch the students in the cafeteria. Sign up [Here](#) to volunteer!

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Bundles** – 8<sup>th</sup> grade dance and t-shirt bundles are still for sale using [This Link](#). Monday at noon t-shirt sales will end. Questions can be emailed to [mccclureptsa@gmail.com](mailto:mccclureptsa@gmail.com).

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance** – On Friday, May 19, we will host our annual 8<sup>th</sup> grade dance. This is an annual celebration for our community that both our students, teachers, and families cherish. We want students to dress up and have a great time, but remember, it's an 8<sup>th</sup> grade dance, not prom, so don't go crazy. See [This Site](#) for more details on the dance.

## Foundation

### **President's Message –**

Dear Parents,

We are on the final stretch to complete our two classrooms redesign, the Maverick Makeover. We have two sets of couches and two more sets of tables to purchase to complete the project.

There is a community member who has generously offered to match donations up to \$2500 (total) this month. This means that any contribution you make will be doubled, allowing us to go even further towards creating a better learning space for our students.

Please go to: <https://mccclurefoundation.cheddarup.com> to make a donation, order a horseshoe in the lobby, or pick up a bundle or schedule a Birthday shout out. All donations and purchases count the offer. I appreciate your support in this project, and I would like to thank you in advance for any contributions you can make.

Best regards,  
Allison Carter  
[mmsf.president@gmail.com](mailto:mmsf.president@gmail.com)

## Community Events

**Parks & Recreation** – We are excited to announce that Kennesaw Parks & Recreation will be hosting 22 different summer program options specifically for Rising 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders. See [This Flyer](#) for details! McClure will be opening some scholarship opportunities for some of these events so stay tuned each week to the Maverick Minute for details!

**KMHS Volleyball** – Kennesaw Mountain's Middle School Volleyball Team tryouts will be held on Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:30 PM in the KMHS Main Gym. All interested players should complete the [Linked Form](#) if intending to try out for the KMHS Middle School Volleyball Team. E-mail [Coach Prochaska](mailto:Coach Prochaska) with questions.

**Harrison Flag Football** – Harrison women's flag football tryouts are coming soon. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

**Tennis Camps** – For those in Fall sports, tennis is one of the best all-round cross-training sport in the world. See [This Flyer](#) on upcoming tennis camp opportunities.

**Kennesaw Mountainfest** – Taste the arts on Saturday April 29 from 11:00am to 8:00pm at Kennesaw Mountain High School. See the [Mountainfest Website](#) for details.

**Junior Hoyas XC Camp** – See [This Flyer](#) for an amazing Cross County camp coming up this summer.

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## Community Events (Cont.)

**KMHS Softball** – Try out for the KMHS fastpitch team. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

**Track & Field Summer Camp** – See [This Flyer](#) for information about Harrison’s Track & Field Summer Camp.

**Healthy Kids Day** – Saturday, April 29 is Healthy Kids Day at the Northwest Family YMCA. See [This Flyer](#) for details.

## Upcoming Dates

- 4/27 – Mandatory Disney Trip Parent Meeting (6:00-8:00)
- 4/28 – 4 ½ Weeks Mark of Q4
- Testing Dates:
  - 4/24 – Testing 8th Grade ELA, Section 1
  - 4/25 – Testing 8th Grade ELA, Sections 2 & 3
  - 4/26 – Testing 8th Grade SC & HS Physical Science, Sections 1 & 2
  - 4/27 – Testing 8th Grade Math, Sections 1 & 2
  - 4/28 – Testing 8th Grade SS, Sections 1 & 2
  - 5/01 – Testing Algebra I EOC, Section 1
  - 5/02 – Testing Algebra I EOC, Section 2
  - 5/03 – Testing 7th Grade ELA, Section 1
  - 5/04 – Testing 7th Grade, ELA, Sections 2 & 3
  - 5/05 – Testing 7th Grade Math, Sections 1 & 2
  - 5/08 – Testing 6th Grade ELA, Section 1
  - 5/09 – Testing 6th Grade ELA, Sections 2 & 3
  - 5/10 – Testing 6th Grade Math, Sections 1 & 2

