

The Maverick Minute

Parent Edition - 5/14/23

Principal's Note

McClure Families,

It is hard to believe but this coming week is our students' last full week of the 2022-23 school year. It seems like they were just starting this school year a few days ago! This week, the McClure Team will be reflecting on how much our students have grown physically, instructionally, and socially over the course of this school year. Middle school is a wild time for the body, the intellect, and the psyche of each of our Mavericks. It is a truly tumultuous time for their whole being! It is because of their amazing parents and individuals like the staff members at McClure that they are able to navigate these challenging years and come out better on the other side. Now is the time to celebrate that growth and tell our students how proud we are of them, and how much we love them. This week, during McClure Olympic Week, we will have lots of opportunities to make fond memories with our students and embrace how far they have progressed on their journey towards high school. I hope that you do the same as this fantastic school years draws to a close. Thank you for all you do to support our team at home!

Sincerely, Cory Stanley

Shout Outs

Disney Chaperones – Shout out to our team of brave parents who accompanied our group of 160 8th graders to Disney World this past week. Have you ever hosted a slumber party? These folks did it for five days! Y'all were great and we appreciate all you did to help our students stay healthy, stay safe, and have fun!

McClure Olympics – Shout out to our PE Dynamic Duo, Mr. Scott Hausdorf & Ms. Jennifer Smith, for all their work planning, preparing, and communicating for the McClure Olympics. It is an amazing, year-long event with an amazing culminating week coming up this week! Our coaches are truly the best in Cobb!

Cobb is #1 – For the second year in a row, the Cobb County School District is the number one district in America in fundraising for the American Heart Association, and McClure was one of the top three middle and high schools in this year's efforts! See This Press Release for details!

Instructional

Bottles Needed – Our 8th grade science team is building "bottle rockets" to put the science content on pressure and volume to life! We are seeking donations of 2-liter bottles for this purpose. There is a barrel in the front lobby for drop off if you would like to contribute.

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.



Our students had a blast at Disney!

Click Here for Photo

DARE to Be a Maverick!

Operational

- Nurse's Note Parents, please remember to pick up any medications your student may have in the clinic on or before the last school day. All medications will be disposed of following dismissal on the last day. Thank you!
- **School Supplies** Next year's school supply boxes are ready for order! Thanks to our PTSA, you can <u>Click Here</u> to have your Maverick's 2023-24 school supplies delivered directly to McClure!
- Dance Check Out The McClure 8th Grade Dance will be held on Friday, May 19th at 6:30pm. Per Cobb County School District policy, students must be counted present at school to participate in any extracurricular activities on that day, including dances. Students must be at school for at least half of the day to be counted present. Students must stay at school until 12:45pm to be considered present for half of the day. Many students like to have extra time to get ready for the dance, and they elect to check out early on the day of the dance. Due to the high volume of students checking out, we try to streamline this process as much as possible. If you plan on checking your student out on Friday, May 19, please complete This Form and return it to their homeroom teacher by Wednesday, May 17th.
- Student Laptops 1 Over the summer, students need to plug in and power on their laptop at least once a month and let it sit for 24 hours to receive any system/Windows updates. If they can keep these updated through the summer, it will limit the amount of school network bandwidth and time that the students will take up the first week back to school. Also, remind your student to please take good care of their device while away for the summer!
- **Student Laptops 2** Just a quick reminder that 8th graders leaving McClure and going into 9th grade in Cobb will continue to hold onto their laptop to start the new school year at their assigned high school.
- **Student Laptops 3** Any students that will not return to CCSD next school year must return their device at the end of the school year. Please contact our front office for instructions on steps to accomplish this. When a student withdraws from Cobb, their device is immediately locked.
- Olympic Spirit Week During this week's 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:
 - 6th Grade Spirit Week
 - 7th Grade Spirit Week
 - 8th Grade Spirit Week
- 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 19th 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!

PTSA

- **School Box Supplies** Now is the time to order next year's school supplies. <u>Click Here</u> to have your Maverick's 2023-24 school supplies delivered directly to McClure!
- 8th Grade Dance On Friday, May 19, we will host our annual 8th 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 8th grade dance, not prom, so don't go crazy. See This Site for more details on the dance.

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PTSA (Cont.)

Dance Chaperones – 6th and 7th grade parents are needed to chaperone and help with the 8th grade dance on May 19th. This is a tradition at McClure. Please sign up Here!

Olympic Volunteers – Would you like to lend a hand supporting your student and their grade level during McClure Olympics? Sign up <u>Here</u>.

Concessions for Sale at the Olympics – The PTSA will be selling concessions (chips, candy and Powerade/Gatorade) for \$1 each to participants on the day of their Olympic field day events (7th Grade - Tuesday May 16, 6th Grade - Wednesday May 17, 8th Grade - Thursday May 18). All the profits will benefit the PE Department. Please remember to send in cash with your student and help fund our PE department!!



Foundation

8th Grade Shout Outs – LAST CALL! Celebrate your 8th grader's academic achievement of stepping up to high school with a personalized marquee shout out! For just \$25, your child's name will be displayed on the marquee for the entire day you choose. This is a great way to surprise your 8th grader and take a memorable photo opportunity after school. Don't wait too long, though - spots are limited per day and sales end tonight! While you're at the store, consider a Horseshoe too - a great way to leave a permanent mark in our McClure lobby! All proceeds go to McClure Foundation!

Community Events

KMHS Soccer Camp – Please see <u>This Flyer</u> for an upcoming summer soccer camp available to your student.

Summer AHS Wrestling Camp – Allatoona High School Wrestling is hosting their annual Relentless Pursuit Camp. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details.

Summer HHS Wrestling Camp – Harrison High School Wrestling is hosting their annual Top Dog Wrestling Camp. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details.

KMHS Football – It's time to sign up for KMHS Football. See <u>This Flyer</u> for details!

Volleyball Camp – See <u>This Flyer</u> for a great camp opportunity coming up this summer. This camp is put on by KMHS volleyball players in coordination with Kennesaw Parks & Recreation.

Hoya Athletic Summer Camps – See This Flyer for all the dates for Harrison athletic camps occurring this summer.

Parks & Recreation – The Kennesaw Parks & Recreation Department is offering 22 <u>Summer Programs</u> for middle school students this summer!

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Community Events (Cont.)

Youth Luau – On Wednesday, May 24, McEachern United Methodist Church is hosting a youth luau. See This Flyer for details.

Track & Field Summer Camp – See This Flyer for information about Harrison's Track & Field Summer Camp.

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 <u>This Flyer</u> on upcoming tennis camp opportunities.

Junior Hoyas XC Camp - See This Flyer for an amazing Cross County camp coming up this summer.

Upcoming Dates

- 5/15-19 McClure Olympic Week
- 5/16 NJHS Inductions Ceremony @ 6:30 in the McClure Theater
- 5/17 8th Grade <u>Early Checkout for Dance Form</u> Due
- 5/19 Senior Walks @ 10:00 in the LLC (Seniors Only)
- 5/19 Pre-Dance Mingle and Outdoor Photo Opportunity in the McClure Bus Port (6:00-6:30)
- $5/19 8^{TH}$ Grade Dance (6:30-8:30)
- 5/22 Evening of the Stars @ 6:30 in the McClure Theater (Invite Only)
- 5/23 8th Grade Awards @ 9:30 in the McClure Theater (Invite Only)





