



**McKean Elementary School  
Monthly Bulletin  
February 2019**

GM School District  
Website  
[www.generalmcclane.org](http://www.generalmcclane.org)

**Dates to remember:**

- Feb 12<sup>th</sup> Classroom pictures will be taken
- Feb 14<sup>th</sup> Valentine's Day parties at 2:30 PM
- Feb 15<sup>th</sup> **SNOW MAKE UP DAY**
- Feb 18<sup>th</sup> NO SCHOOL – Teacher In-Service



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**NOTICE FROM THE OFFICE:** If you wish, you may now email attendance **excuses** and **dismissal notes** to [meattendance@generalmcclane.org](mailto:meattendance@generalmcclane.org). PLEASE DO NOT E-MAIL THESE ITEMS TO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER!!

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**PTA NEWS:**

As **Valentine's Day** quickly approaches, the PTA would like to remind parents of children with last names beginning Q-Z to send in individually wrapped treats to be shared with the class. Parties are scheduled for Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, at 2:30 PM.

**Important Dates:**

- 2/4 - February PTA meeting at 6:30 pm in the library
  - 2/6 - Smart Talk Conversations Event (**RSVP deadline extended to Monday**) 6:00-7:30 pm in the cafeteria
  - 2/22- Science Fair 6:30-7:45 pm in the gym
  - 3/14- 40 Developmental Assets Presentation (rescheduled due to weather)
- Abbe Biebel from the Susan Hirt Hagen Center for Community Outreach, Research, and Evaluation (C.O.R.E.) will be coming to speak with parents about the 40 Developmental Assets our children need to be successful. The speaker is for parents, but the PTA will be offering a movie night in the cafeteria with pizza, juice boxes, and popcorn for children.

Throughout the year, the PTA collects Box Tops for Education, used ink and toner cartridges, cereal boxes for the book projects as well as recycles used markers through Crayola ColorCycle program. Drop-off boxes are located outside the writing center for these items.

Another way to help out the PTA without buying anything extra is using <https://smile.amazon.com> when making normal purchases on Amazon. Please type in McKean when choosing the charity and select McKean Elem PTA from the list. Thank you for all your support!

♥ Happy Valentines Day ♥

# Smart Talk Conversation Family Event Night

You're invited to McKean Elementary PTA's  
**Smart Talk Conversations Event**

Wednesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>  
6:00 – 7:30 pm  
McKean Elementary Cafeteria

Raising children in the age of smartphones and social media brings new challenges and concerns for all families. Have you talked with your kids about online safety? Now's the time. Please join us for parent and student activities that will create safe online spaces and promote the responsible use of online technology.

- free dinner: 6:00-6:30 pm catered by Wegmans with salad and rolls donated by Texas Roadhouse
- presentation: immediately following dinner
  - Jeremy Dylewski, Technology Supervisor for General McLane
  - The Smart Talk presented by McKean Elementary PTA
- childcare: available during the presentation for students and siblings ages 2-8 (must be potty trained). We encourage 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade students to stay for the presentation.

***This event is sponsored by LifeLock and National PTA.***

McKean PTA has won a grant and is providing dinner catered by Wegmans as well as awarding a Kindle Fire to one lucky family who attends this presentation and completes the follow-up Smart Talk activity.

-----✂----- **RETURN RESERVATION BY MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4th** -----✂-----

Parent/Guardian Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Dinner Reservations: # of adults: \_\_\_\_\_ children: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Child's name	Age	Grade/Teacher	Food allergies