



McLean High School PTSA Meeting

January 21, 2026

Agenda

PTSA Meeting, 1/21/2026

7:00pm-8:00pm

I. Business

- Call to Order and Welcome
- Approval of Meeting Minutes from 11/12/2025
- Treasurer's Report
- Upcoming Activities

III. State of the School Address – Principal Jones

IV. How to Start A Successful Passion Project – Olivia Zhang

V. Adjournment

Approval of Meeting Minutes

November 12th, 2025

McLean High School PTSA

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General Membership Meeting Minutes

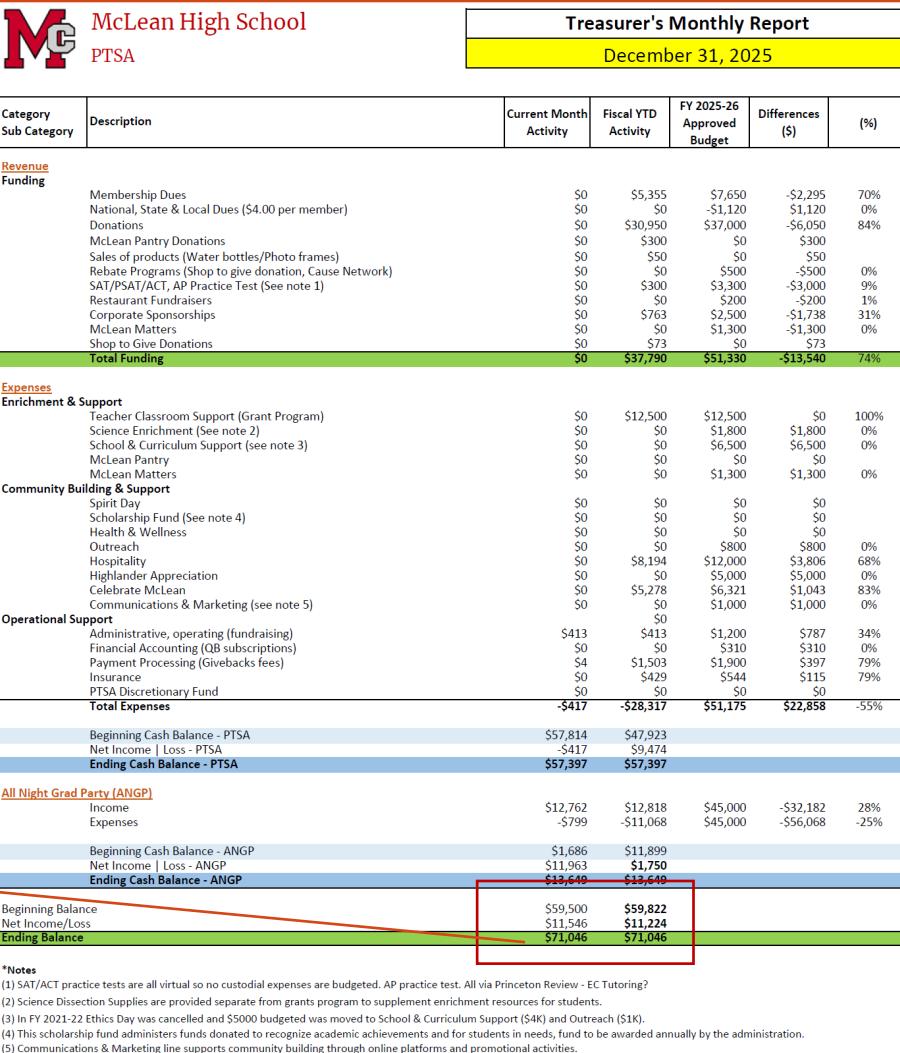
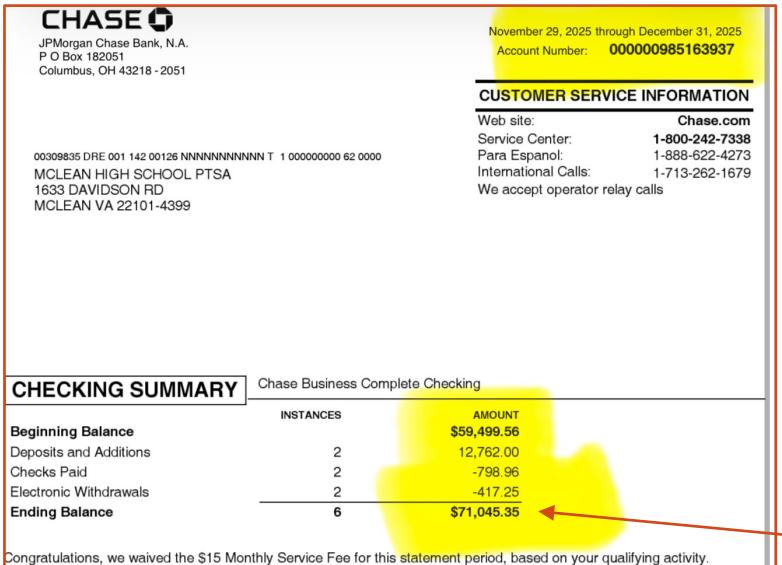
November 12th, 2025. 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (Virtual)

- **Call to Order and Welcoming Remarks – Elizabeth El-Nattar**
 - Meeting was called to order at 7 pm with 19 members participating.
 - Elizabeth welcomed all to our first PTSA meeting and introducing McLean HS' new principal Raven Jones
- **Approval of Meeting Minutes from 09/25/2025**
 - Minutes were reviewed and no questions asked; Coby Wheeler made a motion to approve, Kim Green seconded, and they were approved unanimously
- **Upcoming Events**
 - Mock Testing for SAT/ACT – great opportunity for students and fundraising for the PTSA. Virtual w/ Registration fee of \$20 per test.
 - SAT: 11/15/2025, 1/10/2026, 4/11/2026, 7/18/2026
 - ACT: 10/25/2025, 2/28/2026, 4/25/2026
 - McLean Food Pantry – new program to help combat hunger. See below.
- **New Principal's PTA Engagement Plan – Raven Jones**
 - Ms. Jones introduced herself and outlined her commitment to the PTSA, emphasizing its role as a vital link between the school and the community.
 - She explained her plans to keep the PTA informed about school initiatives and to seek our input on important decisions.
 - She plans to hold a “State of the School” address in January’s PTSA meeting.
- **McLean Food Pantry and Combatting Food Insecurity**
 - McLean HS students presented the local program “Food for Neighbors” and its “McLean McPantry” branch.
 - They explained the “Red Bag” program where local families donate food to these programs in an easy and convenient way.
 - PTSA can really help with adult volunteers, support with fundraising, promotions, and collaborating with the Middle and Elementary Schools in our pyramid.
- **Gift Card Drive**
 - Gift cards for restaurants and grocery stores will be accepted through Dec 5th and given to families in need during the holidays.
- **Guest Speaker – Ashley Misitzis on Gun Safety**
 - Ms. Misitzis introduced the “Be Smart Program” which promotes the secure storage of guns and keeping your children safe whether you have guns yourself or not.
- **Adjournment – Final Adjournment at 8:00 pm.**



Treasurer's Report

January 21, 2025



Support the MHS PTSA

Become a PTSA Member



Make a Donation (Custom Amount)



What's Upcoming?

Mock Testing - SAT and ACT

- The Princeton Review and Marigold Prep to offer practice tests
- SAT: 4/11/2026, 7/18/2026
- ACT: 2/28/2026, 4/25/2026
- Virtual w/ Registration fee of \$20 per test

Mclean Food Pantry

- To help combat hunger among students!
- Need Collection Day drivers and weekday volunteers.
- If you have any questions, contact president@mcleanpts.org

- *Please help with Friday Teacher's Breakfast*

Welcome Principal Jones

State of the School Address



Thank you Ms. Jones for your Military and Public Service!

10 Qs with Raven Jones

Principal

1 If you weren't a principal, what would you be doing?
I would probably be an actress if I could have broken into something that allowed me to make money. I was a theater kid, and I loved not just being on the stage, but theater culture.

2 What is your dream vacation destination?
Out of all of the places that I want to go, the place that I haven't been is Tahiti. A small illustration of a palm tree and a pair of goggles.

3 Why did you decide to come to McLean?
McLean takes me back to my own high school experiences and how I grew up. We also had a lot of diversity, kids were into very artistic things and the athletics are very similar. I'm just excited about the culture of McLean as a whole.

4 If you could be a high schooler for one day, which grade level would you pick?
I would start with a sophomore. It's such a quirky age in high school. You get a real, true picture of what high school life is like when you are a sophomore. A small illustration of a person on a motorcycle.

5 Do you have any hidden talents?
I played the violin all the way through high school. And I started cello lessons over the summer. I also enjoy riding motorcycles. A small illustration of a violin.

6 What's a lesson your sons have taught you that you carry into your work as a principal?
My babies taught me to be kind. Having children and then them going to school really solidified that for me. Every day I leave my house, I think about the day that I want them to have. It taught me to ask questions before I judge or before I assume someone is doing the wrong thing because students have bad days too.

7 What is your favorite part of your daily routine as a principal?
My morning walk through the school since I get to see the kids coming in, and it kind of gives me the mood of the building for the day.

8 Who is one celebrity you would like to work with at McLean?
You're probably not going to know who this is because I'm ancient, but Sade Adu is my favorite musician. I would love to bring Sade to McLean just so I could see her.

9 If you could join any club at McLean, which one would you choose?
The Girls Leadership Committee. I think it's the coolest club we have. I love assertive girls. I just think women have great visions for the future and can be very empathetic, and so I think we need more female leaders.

10 If your sons had to describe you in three words, what do you think they'd say?
They would tell you that I am the funniest person ever, that I am goofy and that I am kind. A large portrait of Principal Raven Jones, smiling.

McLean HS

State of the School

2025-2026

Raven N. Jones, Principal



Targeted
Growth for
Universal
Excellence



Our Mission and Values



Our mission is to create and uphold a community where all learners are challenged to reach their full potential.



Our Core Values:

Educate, inspire and engage all learners in an enriching educational experience

Encourage all learners to be self-directed, independent, and responsible

Foster creative and critical thinking skills

Provide challenging opportunities in all curricular and extracurricular settings

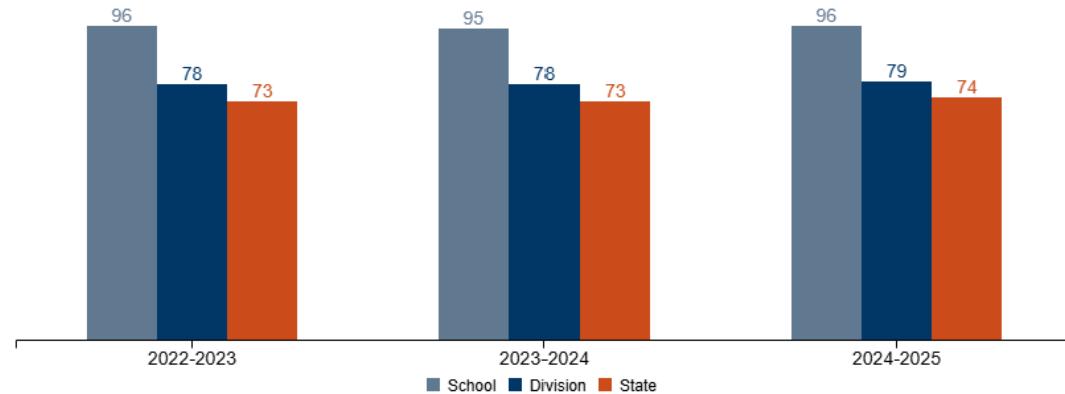
Develop and sustain a healthy and caring culture focused on positive social and emotional skills to improve learning for all

Engage the entire McLean community

Our School Community: By the Numbers

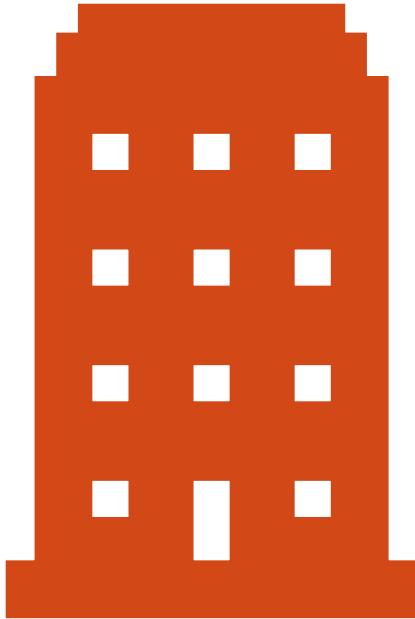
- **Enrollment:** 2,414 students (The 12th largest school in the division).
- **Student Profile:**
 - 6% Multilingual Learners (ML).
 - 10.6% Students with Disabilities (SWD).
 - 6% Student mobility rate.
- **Staffing:**
 - Total staff of 212, including 165 instructional staff.
 - Veteran teachers are prevalent with minimal "out-of-field" rates.

State Accountability & the SPSF



Wellness and Achievement Opportunities

- **Fostering Resilience:** Reducing student stress and academic burnout
 - SEL lessons
 - Leveraging community and division support
 - Maximizing the impact of student clubs and support organizations
- **ML Progress:** Increasing Reading and Science proficiency for Multilingual Learners by 5 percentage points this school year.
- **Closing the Gap (SWD):** Reducing the achievement gap for students with disabilities in Math and Science by 4 percentage points.
- **Resource Allocation:**
 - Utilizing the A/B Block schedule with a daily resource period (Highlander Time) to maximize instructional and intervention time.
 - Maximizing staffing models and allocating staffing to areas of greatest need.



Facilities Management

• Facility Status:

- 70-year-old building with a large physical footprint.
- Estimated renovation in 203X?
- Installation of 2 new chillers (current)
- Replacement of entryway flooring (complete)
- Monitoring of the Multi-Purpose Room (MPR) floor for humidity-related hazards.
- Mold protocols (continuous)
- Solar Panel Project- reach out to Ms. Julia Murdoch at JAMurdock@fcps.edu



Safety and Security

- **Referral Totals:** 280 total referrals involving 177 students.
 - 143 BSO15- skipping classes
 - 32 BAP3- scholastic dishonesty
 - 22 BSC24- leaving school grounds w/o authorization
 - 21 BAP4- tardies

Looking
Forward

MHS Strategic Plan 2026-2031

Principal's Advisory Committee SY
2026-2027

PTA Partnerships

FCPS Boundary Review

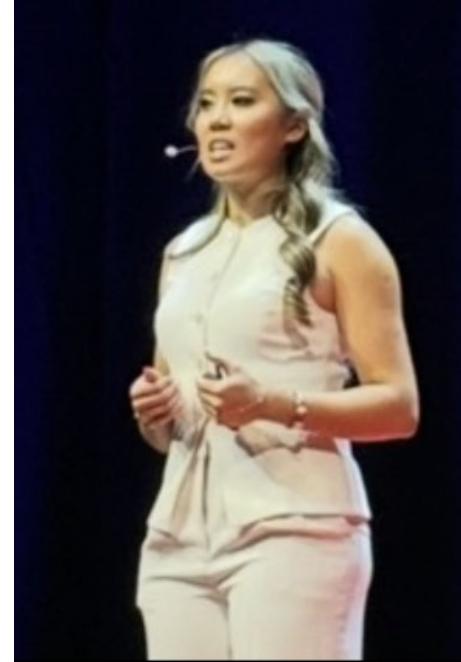
Thank You!



Olivia Zhang – MHS Alumni, Former SGA President

Harvard Student & Forbes 30 under 30 Recipient

**How to Start A Successful
Passion Project**



Thank You for Attending

Adjournment

