



# WEEKLY UPDATE

MONSIGNOR SLADE CATHOLIC SCHOOL  
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## Important News & Notes:

**Winter Uniform:** Please be reminded that students need to begin wearing winter uniforms on Monday, November 2, 2020. Please see pp. 44-46 of the Parent & Student Handbook for guidelines.

**Happy Helpers for the Homeless:** Just a reminder that 5th & 6th graders are asked to contribute two brown bag breakfasts on Friday, November 6th. Each of the students in grades 5 & 6 will receive two brown bags on Wednesday, November 4th to use as they “bag a breakfast.” Your breakfast donations should include one of each of the following:



1. Small box of cereal or packet of oatmeal w/cup & spoon
2. Pop Tart, Nutrigrain bar or granola bar
3. Piece of fruit, fruit cup, or box of raisins
4. Hot chocolate pack w/cup & spoon
5. Juice box
6. Napkin

Please note: If remote learners in grades 5 & 6 would like to participate in the “Bag a Breakfast” effort for November, you can prepare the breakfasts as directed above and drop them off at the carport on Friday morning. If you would like, you could stop by the office on Wednesday or Thursday during school hours to pick up two brown bags, or simply use your own.

There will be volunteers at the carport entrance to collect the bagged breakfasts on Friday morning. We will also collect canned foods from any/all grade levels on that morning. If your child is not in 5th or 6th grade, but you would like to contribute to the canned food drive, please have your child drop the canned goods in the collection box at the carport entrance. All breakfast bags and canned food donations should be dropped off by 8:30 a.m. We thank you so much for your generosity!

**A big ‘Thank You’ to Mrs. Debbie Van Bergen** for coming into school this week to fulfill requests for used uniform items. We appreciate her willingness to take time out of her day to help our families!

## Grade Level Reminders:

**Grade 8 - Updated:** The HSPT Registration Portal is open. Click on the link to register your students for the December 2, 2020, test which will be held here at MSCS. The cost of the test is \$40 and must be paid online when you register. Be sure to select Monsignor Slade (005) as the site where your child will test. <https://stsusers.com/stsusers/registration/static/baltimore.php>. The deadline to submit documentation to receive accommodations for students who have plans for the HSPT is Friday, November 20. After that date, the upload feature will be locked, and there is no way to upload documentation to the registration portal.



*Be a Light for All to See*  
Matthew 5:16

## Important News & Notes (continued):

**Grade 8:** Each year the Maryland State Council of the Knights of Columbus awards three Catholic high school scholarship grants to sons and daughters of members of the Knights of Columbus and three Catholic high school scholarship grants to Catholic students in general. See the attached flyer for more information, or interested parents and students may obtain specific information and applications by writing to:

Maryland State Council  
Knights of Columbus  
State Scholarship Chairman  
P.O. Box 1468  
Bowie, MD 20717

## From the School Nurse:



Attached you will find guidelines suggested by the CDC for **safe trick-or-treating** this Halloween.

Also, some travel reminders:

- Please email [covid19@msladeschool.com](mailto:covid19@msladeschool.com) to disclose any travel plans, including the dates you are traveling.
- If the state positivity rate rises above 10% at any point during your travel period, your child must get a COVID-19 PCR test upon return to Maryland and receive a negative result in order to return to school.
- Please use the following link to track positivity rates during your out-of-state travel:
  - <https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/testing/tracker/overview>

## Advancement Announcements:

**Calling All Veteran Slade Tour Guides!** In the event, Monsignor Slade Catholic School is able to follow the lead of Catholic high schools in our area by offering in-person tours during recruitment season, the Advancement Committee may call on parent volunteers. If recruitment events are held in the evenings or on weekends and all tours were limited in number, would you be willing to volunteer? Masks and social distancing would be required.

**Tell your Slade story!** In a short video (1 minute or less) feature Slade students, families, or alumni. Mrs. Hilmer kindly requests .mp4 or .mov format. Inspiration and instructions are available via [slideshow](#) or the flyer shared. For specific questions or to discuss technical difficulties when sharing your files, please contact Mrs. Hilmer.

### Office Depot Gives Back to Schools!

Five percent of your purchases can benefit Monsignor Slade! Just give or enter the school's name or ID: **70046721**. If you forget to give the information at the time of purchase, [you can enter it here](#).

**GIVEBACK** to schools  
Office Depot OfficeMax

Simply make a purchase of qualifying products, provide our school ID at checkout & we'll receive 5% back in credits for FREE supplies.

[Learn More](#)

## Advancement Announcements (continued):

### Interest Poll:

The Advancement Committee is pricing yard signs celebrating the Slade Community and drawing attention to our school for the upcoming recruitment season. [Please complete this Google poll to indicate if you would like to display a sign at your home.](#) You may also share the poll with grandparents or godparents who may enjoy supporting the school.

### Seeking Parish Liaisons for:

- Christ the King
- Our Lady of the Chesapeake

Liaisons would be asked to share information regarding the MSCS with the parish and parish groups, and also share news from those parishes with the school community so that we can develop mutually beneficial communication and relationships focused on our mission and the Catholic faith.

**October Photo Challenge Halloween Edition:** Share photos of these challenge prompts with Mrs. Hilmer via e-mail or social media message to have your Slade student (s) in our digital spotlight.

**Please email or call Mrs. Hilmer in the advancement office** if you are interested in participating or volunteering in any of the above-mentioned announcements at [c.hilmer@mssladeschool.com](mailto:c.hilmer@mssladeschool.com) or 410-766-7130, ext. 107



## HASA Happenings:



**Gift Wrap Sale: Great news! We have reached our goal!!** The gift wrap fundraiser was a huge success. Thank you to everyone who participated. For those of you who might have friends or family that would still like to order, it is not too late! Our school can still receive credit for any orders submitted by December 7th; however, the late orders will not count toward sales incentive prizes. Please remember to include our organization number on the order! Just go to [www.charlestonwrapstore.com](http://www.charlestonwrapstore.com) and use the Organization ID #20455. Have fun shopping! And thanks again to everyone who was able to participate. We really appreciate your support!

## Sports Section:

**Winter Sports Update:** The AOB restrictions are still in place for all winter sports and extracurricular activities which means Slade will not be offering basketball and cheerleading this year.

The Athletic Council is still looking for a Lacrosse Co-Commissioner for this year and someone to serve as the Athletic Council Secretary for the 2021-2022 school year. All interested parties please email [sladeacpresident@gmail.com](mailto:sladeacpresident@gmail.com) for more information on how to apply.



### Mission Statement

Rooted in Catholic faith and committed to academic excellence, Monsignor Slade Catholic School is dedicated to forming the whole child to know, love, and be disciples of Christ.

## **Scholarship Program**

The Maryland State Council of the Knights of Columbus in partnership with the Knights of Columbus Insurance Advisors is the sponsor of several High School Scholarships for its members and for Catholic students in general. Below is a summary of these scholarships and information regarding eligibility for scholarship awards.

### **The Frederick M. Gossman Memorial High School Scholarship**

Designed to assist those Brother Knights, in good standing and holding membership in councils within the jurisdiction of Maryland in paying tuition for their sons and daughters at accredited Catholic High Schools; three grants of \$1,500.00 per year, for up to four years, will be awarded. Awards will be made based on academic excellence, personal qualifications, and financial need. The children of deceased members are also eligible, provided the member was in good standing at the time of death.

### **The William J. O'Brien Jr., Memorial Catholic High School Scholarship**

Three grants of \$1,500.00 per year for up to four years will be awarded. This program is open to any **Catholic student** who is a resident of the State of Maryland, including children and grandchildren of any member, in good standing, of a Knights of Columbus council within the jurisdiction of Maryland. Applicants must have been officially accepted at or must be students at accredited Catholic High Schools. Applications will be judged on academic excellence, personal qualifications, and financial need.

**Application period is from October 1, 2020 to February 1, 2021. All applications must be received by the Scholarship Committee no later than February 1, 2021.**



Maryland State Council  
Knights of Columbus  
ATTN: Scholarship Committee  
P.O. Box 1468  
Bowie, MD 20717

# Steps to Take When Trick or Treating



## Make Trick-Or-Treating Safer



- Avoid direct contact with trick-or-treaters.
- Give out treats outdoors, if possible.
- Set up a station with individually bagged treats for kids to take.
- Wash hands before handling treats.
- Wear a mask.



[cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)

Traditional Halloween activities are fun, but some can increase the risk of getting or spreading COVID-19 or influenza. Plan alternate ways to participate in Halloween.

## Wear A Mask



- Make your cloth mask part of your costume.
- A costume mask is **NOT** a substitute for a cloth mask.
- Do **NOT** wear a costume mask over a cloth mask. It can make breathing more difficult.
- Masks should **NOT** be worn by children under the age of 2 or anyone who has trouble breathing.



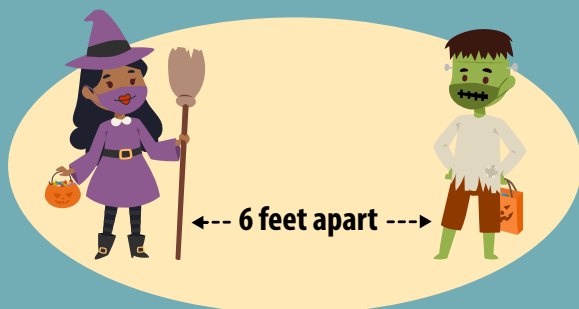
## Wash Your Hands



- Bring hand sanitizer with you and use it after touching objects or other people.
- Use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
- Parents: supervise young children using hand sanitizer.
- Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds when you get home and before you eat any treats.



## Keep Your Distance



- Stay at least 6 feet away from others who do not live with you
- Indoors and outdoors, you are more likely to get or spread COVID-19 when you are in close contact with others for a long time.

# November 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 HASA Exec Board 5:30 p.m.	5	6 'Bag a Breakfast' for Happy Helpers for the Homeless Gr. 5 & 6	7
8	9 Virtual Apopka Toy Drive begins	10 Advancement Meeting 6:30 p.m.	11 Virtual Open House for Prospective Parents 8:30-10:30 a.m.	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 Athletic Council 6:00 p.m.	19	20 Tuition Assistance Out-of-uniform Day \$2 per student	21
22	23	24	25 Trimester 1 ends	26	27	28
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29	30 Trimester 2 begins					